

Why should you be a part of the Michigan Trauma Coalition (MTC) in 2021?

With over 90 member hospitals across Michigan, MTC is the only member-based, state-wide multi-professional organization dedicated exclusively to the advancement of trauma care, education, research and advocacy across the trauma continuum. Membership in this unique organization provides access to activities that promote excellence in trauma care and tools to enhance your hospital's delivery of the right care to the right patient at the right time.

Each hospital membership has one vote at meetings and elections, but unlimited staff from each hospital can participate at the committee level and at meetings, educational events, training sessions, and webinars.

- **Trauma Education** – MTC offers educational programs that are required or recommended for trauma verification and designation, including the AIS Injury Scaling Course (AAAM), trauma registrar training, trauma program manager training, injury prevention coordinator training, and trauma finance training. *These courses are now available in virtual format.* By pooling our resources, we can offer these very costly courses at a substantial discount.
 - Educational and clinical content are also available through the MTC website, mitrauma.org
- **Trauma Center Role Development and Networking** – All trauma program personnel benefit from the MTC alliance: Trauma Medical Directors, Trauma Program Managers, Registrars, Injury Prevention Coordinators, Performance Improvement Nurses, MTQIP Clinical Reviewers, Trauma Educators, Outreach Coordinators, Trauma Researchers, and Trauma Administrators network through conference calls, online meetings, and virtual educational events.
- **Advocacy** – MTC offers the opportunity to collaborate with our lobbyist and Legislative/Advocacy/Outreach Committee to support bills that advance trauma care, including funding and oversight of the statewide trauma system, traffic safety, and trauma education like *Stop The Bleed*.
- **Leadership Opportunities** – As a member of MTC, you can give back to your profession and community by volunteering on our specialty committees like injury prevention, pediatric trauma, legislation, education, research, or the registrars' committee, and by working on community outreach events for buckle up, Stop the Bleed, CarFit, and Matter of Balance.

What have we accomplished in the past year?

- The MTC Leadership Council – Officers, Committee Chairs, and trauma physicians - conducted an extensive MTC *strategic planning* session in January-February of 2020. We have implemented many of the plan's objectives, including new mission-values, an educational survey of all members, website enhancements, and updated legislative and marketing materials for a new "It Takes a System" media campaign.
- As the COVID-19 pandemic emerged, MTC's executive board met on a regular and urgent basis to convert in-person learning events/meetings to *virtual sessions*. We subsequently invested in a *virtual platform* with GoToMeeting™, GoToWebinar™, and online video archiving. Our education plan now includes regular webinars. Courses for 2020 have included:
 - **ICD-10 Trauma Coding Course** – A must for Trauma Registrars!
 - **Trauma Registry Advanced Prep Course (TARP)** – This course prepares registrars to take advanced certification exams – the **CSTR** and **CAISS**.
 - MTC also supported scholarships for registrars to sit for those exams.
 - **Trauma Program Manager Course** (American Trauma Society) – (Recommended for Trauma Program Managers).
 - **AIS injury Scaling Course [AAAM]** – (Required for Trauma Registrars)
 - MTC supported a random drawing for free attendance by four MTC members at the latest AIS Injury Scaling Course.
- MTC supported 13 Injury Prevention Scholarships to the Michigan Traffic Safety Summit in March.
- MTC supports quarterly meetings of the general membership (which now include educational breakouts), as well as meetings of all MTC Committees.
- We have continued a close partnership with the State of Michigan, Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness, to support trauma system development.

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*Thank you,
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