OPERATION, STAFFING AND DESIGN FOR TRAUMA CARE IN A UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL SETTING

INTRODUCTION

WHEN ONE WISHES TO DISCUSS THE OPERATION
STAFFING AND DESIGN FOR TRAUMA CARE AND WHEN ONE
REALIZES THAT IN THE BEGINNING THERE WAS NO ESTABLISHED
GUIDELINE WHEREIN TO SEEK DIRECTION FOR A PROGRAM IN
TRAUMA CARE - ONE GENERALLY THEN DRAWS UPON HIS
OWN EXPERIENCE IN DESCRIBING THE EVOLUTION OF HIS
TRAUMA CENTER. TODAY I WISH TO SHARE WITH YOU 15
YEARS EXPERIENCE IN DEVELOPING A SYSTEM OF TRAUMA CARE
AS WAS DEVELOPED IN A UNIVERSITY ENVIRONMENT.

FIRST, I SHALL TELL YOU OF THE TYPE OF PATIENTS

WHICH BELONG IN A TRAUMA CENTER AND WHY - (THE GOLDEN HOUR), ALSO THE PARTS NECESSARY FOR A TRAUMA CENTER,

HOW IT SHOULD OPERATE AS WELL AS THE RESPONSIBILITIES

AND FUNCTIONS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH A GOOD CENTER.

SECONDLY, - I WILL DISCUSS THE TYPE OF STAFFING AND PATTERNS OF STAFFING THAT WE USE AND ARE NEEDED SO THAT THE TRAUMA CENTER CAN FUNCTION SMOOTHLY AT ALL TIMES AND UNDER ALL CIRCUMSTANCES. IF TIME PERMITS, I WILL TELL WHY NEW KINDS OF STAFFING PATTERNS ARE NEEDED.

THIRDLY - SOMETHING WILL BE SAID ABOUT DESIGNING
A TRAUMA CENTER - WHERE IT SHOULD BE OR NOT BE. WHAT

OTHER PARTS AND ANCILLARY SERVICES ARE NEEDED TO PROVIDE EXCELLENCE IN TRAUMA CARE.

FINALLY, WE WILL REVIEW BRIEFLY THE DIFFICULTIES

ASSOCIATED IN ESTABLISHING A TRAUMA CENTER IN A

UNIVERSITY SETTING. AND AT THE SAME TIME OFFER A

WORD OF CAUTION TO PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS

AS WE LOOK AT THE WHOLE SPECTRUM OF TRAUMA CARE.

IN THE BEGINNING, OUR AIMS AND GOALS WERE TO DEVELOP A TRAUMA CENTER PROGRAM THAT WOULD:

- 1. PROVIDE EXCELLENCE IN CARE AT ALL LEVELS
- 2. MOVE PATIENTS AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE
- 3. DEVELOP STANDARDS OF THERAPY FOR TEACHING AND RESEARCH
- 4. DISSEMINATE KNOWLEDGE IN TRAUMA CARE
- 5. PROVIDE SYSTEMS OF CARE

FINALLY, A MAJOR GOAL - WHEN THE TIME HAS
FINALLY COME WHERE KNOWLEDGE, KNOW-HOW AND
EQUIPMENT COME TOGETHER TO MAKE THE SYSTEM OF TRAUMA
CARE POSSIBLE.

THE GOAL

SLIDE 1 EMS TRAUMA CENTER GOAL

ANY CITIZEN OR TRANSIENT IN THE STATE OF

MARYLAND HAS THE RIGHT TO THE BEST MEDICAL

CARE ACCORDING TO THE STATE OF THE ART AND

NOT ACCORDING TO LOCATION, SEVERITY, AND

EXTENT OF INJURY.

SLIDE 2 OF WHOM ARE WE SPEAKING?

- 1. THREE KINDS OF PATIENTS
- 2. CONCERNED WITH THE PATIENT WITH THE
 LIFE-THREATENING PROBLEM WHETHER
 ILLNESS OR TRAUMA
- 3. THESE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO TRADITIONALLY

 DIE THEY ARE THE 5% IN TRAUMA OTHERS

 CAN BE EASILY TREATED ELSEWHERE.

SLIDE 3 CRITERIA FOR PATIENT ADMISSION

- 1. SEVERE MULTIPLE INJURIES (TWO OR MORE SYSTEMS)
- 2. HEAD AND SPINAL CORD INJURIES
- 3. CARDIAC AND MAJOR VESSEL INJURIES
- 4. CARDIOGENIC SHOCK, UNCONTROLLED
- 5. MULTIPLE INJURIES WITH COMPLICATIONS:

 E.G., SHOCK, SEPSIS, RESPIRATORY FAILURE,

 CARDIAC FAILURE, ALCOHOL AND DRUG

 OVERDOSE
- 6. SEVERE FACIAL AND EYE INJURIES
- 7. BURNS, GAS GANGRENE, POISONING, CARBON
 MONOXIDE, SCUBA ACCIDENTS, DROWNING

SLIDE 4 MIEM PROGRAM

- 1. PERFUSION AND OXYGEN DEFICITS THE TAKER
 OF ALL LIFE HYPOXIA
- 2. GOLDEN HOUR
- 3. 3 R's

SLIDE 5 EXTENDING HAND BY BRINGING PATIENT IN

RAPIDLY AND EFFICIENTLY - NOT BY USING

LARGE MOBILE UNIT VANS WHICH WASTE

PERSONNEL AND TIME IN TREATING THE PATIENT

AT THE SCENE:

THEREFORE, WE TRADE SPEED FOR STABILIZATION.

OPERATION OF A TRAUMA CENTER IN A UNIVERSITY SETTING

IT SEEMS TO BE THE PRESENT TREND TO ROPE OFF AN AREA IN AN EMERGENCY ROOM OR IN AN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT AND CALL IT A TRAUMA CENTER. IN A UNIVERSITY SETTING, SUCH A CONCEPT IS DEPLORABLE. IMMEDIATE LABORATORY, X-RAY, O.R. AND BLOOD BANK SUPPORT IS PARAMOUNT. IN ADDITION IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF SEASONED SPECIALISTS EXPERIENCED IN WORKING WITH TRAUMA PROBLEMS IS MANDATORY OTHERWISE ONE IS SIMPLY PROVIDING SOME TYPE OF GLORIFIED EMERGENCY ROOM CARE WHICH HAS NOT PROVEN ITSELF IN THE LAST 30 YEARS. IF THE SAME CORRAL IS INSTALLED IN AN ICU YOU HAVE A GLORIFIED ICU BUT NOT A TRAUMA CENTER. WHY? TRAUMA CENTERS AND ICU'S ARE DIFFERENT!

SLIDE 6 LASSO CONCEPT

SLIDE 7 COMPONENT FACILITIES

CRITICAL PATIENTS CAN NOT BE MOVED SO ALL

FACILITIES MUST COME TO THE PATIENT.

OUR EXPERIENCE OVER THE PAST 15 YEARS

DICTATED OTHERWISE. THE TRAUMA CENTER

ICU CONCEPT.

SLIDE 8 TRAUMA CENTER PHILOSOPHY

TRAUMA CENTER VS. INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

EACH DIFFER IN MISSION AND RESPONSIBILITY

1. I.C.U. - IN-HOSPITAL TRANSFER

ALREADY - DIAGNOSED
EVALUATED
FURTHER RX NECESSITATES
INTENSIVE CARE

2. TRAUMA CENTER - A COMBINED FIRST CONTACT EMERGENCY DEPT. AND I.C.U.

PATIENT - ARRIVES UNDIAGNOSED AND UNTREATED DIRECT FROM OUTSIDE HOSPITAL COMPLEX DEMANDS VARIETY OF:
RESUSCITATIVE, DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC MEASURES FOR SURVIVAL

SLIDE 9 RESPONSIBILITY AND FUNCTION

A UNIVERSITY TRAUMA CENTER DIFFERS FROM A

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN A NUMBER OF WAYS SOME

OF WHICH ARE LISTED HERE. ON THE OTHER HAND

A COMMUNITY HOSPITAL DOES NOT HAVE THE TYPE

OF RESPONSIBILITY THAT I AM GOING TO ELICIT BECAUSE ESSENTIALLY FOR THE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, THE KEY WORD IS SERVICE!

- 1. NEW CONCEPTS IN PATIENT CARE
 PRIMARY NURSE PROGRAM
 SURGICAL TEAM CARE
 COMPONENT TRANSFUSION THERAPY
 IMMEDIATE OPERATION ROOM CAPABILITY
 ON-SIGHT RADIOLOGICAL STUDIES INCLUDING
 CONTRAST MEDIA
 - REHABILITATION AND FAMILY CRISIS
 INTERVENTION
- 2. NEW CONCEPTS IN TEACHING

 TRAUMATOLOGY CRITICAL CARE MEDICINE
 CRITICAL CARE NURSING THE PRIMARY

 NURSE
 - COMBINATION BEDSIDE AND SIT DOWN ROUNDS
 WITH THE DOCTOR/TEAM LEADER AND
 PRIMARY NURSE

PROBLEM ORIENTED RECORDS

TUTORIALS - RESIDENT ROTATION RESPONSIBILITY

AUDIOVISUAL PROGRAMS

PARAMEDIC AND EMT TRAINING

PHYSICIAN AND NURSE TRAINING THROUGHOUT

THE STATE AND INSTITUTE BY TEAMS

GOING OUT AND STUDENTS COMING IN.

3. RESEARCH

THE INJURED CELL

BIOCHEMISTRY

PATHOLOGY

BACTERIOLOGY

ORGAN RESEARCH

LUNG - SHOCK LUNG

KIDNEY

LIVER

HEAD

IMMEDIATE AUTOPSY - TOTAL RESEARCH
PROGRAM WITH DEPT. OF PATHOLOGY
MEDICAL EXAMINER'S PROGRAM

PREDICTABILITY PATTERNS IN INJURY

4. SPECIALTY REFERRAL CENTERS - NOT PLANNED
BUT OF NECESSITY

TRAUMA
BURNS
SPINAL CORD
CARDIAC - SOPHISTICATED RX
PSYCHIATRIC
ALCOHOL AND DRUG OVERDOSE
HAND CENTER

STAFFING IN A UNIVERSITY TRAUMA CENTER - WHAT ABOUT STAFFING?

IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF SEASONED CLINICIANS,

NURSES AND EXPERTS ARE THE ORDER OF THE DAY. ONE CAN NOT

TAKE CARE OF THE EMERGENCY CRITICALLY ILL AND INJURED WITH THE TRADITIONAL HEN PICKING ORDER THAT WE SEE IN MOST UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS WHO HAVE A "TRAUMA CENTER."

TO BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND STAFFING, LET US FIRST LOOK AT PATIENT FLOW PATTERNS IN A TRAUMA CENTER. FIRST THE TEAM CONCEPT.

SLIDE 10 TEAM CONCEPT

ABOLITION OF COMMITTEE MEDICINE

- 1. TEAM MANAGES RESUSCITATIVE PHASE (TREAT BEFORE DIAGNOSIS)
- 2. STABILIZATION PHASE
- 3. CONSULTATION GROUP ROLE
- 4. HOWEVER, ALWAYS ONLY ONE TEAM MANAGER
- 5. TEAM SPECIALTY SURGERY
- 6. PATIENT ALWAYS UNDER CONTROL OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR WHILE IN CENTER
- SLIDE 11 MULTIPLE TRAUMA THE OBJECT OF CARE TO HANDLE ALL PROBLEMS

FIRST, LET'S LOOK AT

SLIDE 12 MIEM PATIENT FLOW

SECOND, LET'S LOOK AT

SLIDE 13 MIEM MANAGEMENT FLOW

FINALLY, HOW LONG ARE PATIENTS IN THE VARIOUS TRAUMA CENTER AREAS

SLIDE 14 MIEM PATIENT FLOW IN DAYS

ADMITTING AREA TO:

 $5\frac{1}{2}$ DAYS

- 1. OPERATION ROOM
- 2. CRITICAL CARE RECOVERY UNIT
- 3. STAY IN ADMITTING AREA FOR OPERATION
- 4. INTENSIVE CARE UNIT (5-10 DAYS)
- 5. GENERAL HOSPITAL BED (20 DAYS)
- 6. REHABILITATION CENTER (1-6 MO)

EVEN THE ABOVE STAFFING CONCEPTS ARE CHANGING.

- SLIDE 15 CONCEPT DIFFERENT NOW SPECIALTY CENTERS
- SLIDE 16 MIEM STAFFING 1975
- SLIDE 17 MIEM TEAM COMPOSITION
- SLIDE 18 MIEM NURSE STAFFING PATTERNS
- SLIDE 19 TRAUMA CENTER STAFFING AND OPERATION

- SLIDE 20 STAFFING COMPONENT IN PLANNING A

 TRAUMA FACILITY IN SUMMARY WE MUST HAVE

 STAFF FOR:
 - 1. IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY OF MULTIDISCIPLINARY
 STAFF
 - 2. ONE MEDICAL DIRECTOR
 - 3. TRAUMA PHYSICIAN TEAM
 - 4. NURSES TRAINED AT ALL LEVELS OF EMERGENCY
 CRITICAL CARE
 - 5. EDUCATION/TRAINING PROGRAMS

CONCEPTS IN DESIGN

NOW, LET US LOOK AT CONCEPTS IN DESIGN - FIRST, WHAT IS THE MIEM DESIGN CONCEPT?

SLIDE 21 MIEM DESIGN CONCEPT

1. MUST BE A FIRST CONTACT FACILITY PREPARED

TO ADMIT AND TREAT EMERGENCY PATIENTS

ON MINIMAL NOTICE.

2. MUST PROVIDE IMMEDIATE CARE TO MEET
THE MOST ACUTE AND DIFFICULT
SITUATION AND CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
SUCH CARE UNTIL PATIENT'S CONDITION
STABILIZES.

IF THE UNIT IS DESIGNED AND EQUIPPED PROPERLY,
THE PATIENT WILL BE MET BY A COMPETENT STAFF
WHO WILL INITIATE RESUSCITATION, STABILIZATION,
DIAGNOSIS AND TOTAL CARE.

- SLIDE 22 PHYSICAL COMPONENTS WHAT ARE SOME
 OF THE PHYSICAL COMPONENTS NECESSARY
 IN PLANNING OF A TRAUMA FACILITY?
 - 1. SEPARATE ADMITTING AREA ADJACENT TO E.D.
 - 2. SPECIAL CRITICAL CARE UNIT
 - 3. IMMEDIATE O.R. CAPABILITY AND AVAILABILITY
 - 4. ANCILLARY SUPPORT
 - 5. PATIENT FLOW TO OTHER HOSPITAL AREAS
- SLIDE 23 MIEM TOTAL SUPPORT SYSTEM (A DIAGNOSTIC LOOK)
- SLIDE 24 CRITICAL CARE RECOVERY UNIT (WHY THIS DESIGN) 1962
- SLIDE 25 WHEEL CONCEPT
- SLIDE 26 PODIUM MIEM DESIGN CONCEPT
- SLIDE 27 PDOIUM CONCEPT
- SLIDE 28 PODIUM STORAGE
- SLIDE 29 MIEM CCRU CUBICLE

- SLIDE 30 CCRU WITH STEP DOWN CARE UNITS
- SLIDE 31 ADMISSION AREA
- SLIDE 32 OPERATION ROOM
- SLIDE 33 DIFFICULTY IN ESTABLISHING A TRAUMA FACILITY
 - 1. PERSONNEL (NURSES, PHYSICIANS, TECHNICIANS)
 - 2. PATIENT CONTROL
 - 3. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (HOSPITAL, UNIT)
 - 4. FUNDING (LOCAL, FEDERAL)
 - 5. STIGMA OF CLINICAL RESEARCH

MANY OF US SPEAK OF THE POOR QUALITY OF EMERGENCY CARE DURING THE PRE-HOSPITAL PHASE: HOWEVER, WE SHOULD NOT CRITICIZE THE QUALITY OF CARE PROVIDED IN THAT EXTRA HOSPITAL FACET BECAUSE THIS PROBLEM HAS BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED BY HEW'S DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND WILL SOON BE UNDER CONTROL.

WHAT I AM CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE QUALITY
OF CARE GIVEN ONCE THAT PATIENT ARRIVES IN THE
HOSPITAL BECAUSE I AM SURE THAT IN MOST HOSPITALS
THE EMERGENCY VICTIM BECOMES, FOR VARIOUS
REASONS, THE UNWANTED GUEST. HE INTERFERES
WITH THE HOSPITAL ROUTINE OF THE DAY, THE
OPERATION ROOM ELECTIVE SCHEDULE, THE BLOOD
BANKS, WORKLOADS - EVERYTHING. PHYSICIANS AND

HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS DON'T SEEM TOO CONCERNED,
HOWEVER, OR THIS DILEMMA WOULD NEVER HAVE
HAPPENED: THEREFORE, AT THAT HOSPITAL THAT
PATIENT PAYS FOR THE PROGRAM WITH HIS LIFE.

SLIDE 33 EMS GOAL