



STAC Bids Adieu to Retiring Members, Welcomes the Rookies

The terms of three charter STAC members ended December 31, 2011. Kevin Croston, M.D., Jane Gisslen, R.N. and Mark Larkins, M.D. have served tirelessly on the STAC, its subcommittees and workgroups since the inception of the statewide trauma system in 2005. They will be missed by those who stay behind. Of particular note: Dr. Croston has led us through the creation and development of the trauma system since 2003, when it was little more than a humble ambition.

Michael Hagen (hospital administrator), Peter Lindbloom, PA-C (physician extender) and Chad Robbins, D.O. (rural general surgeon) were all re-appointed and will return to serve four-year terms. Three new members were appointed to four-year terms: Kurt Martinson, M.D. of CentraCare Clinic in St. Cloud is the new trauma surgeon representative; Robert Roach, M.D. is the neurosurgeon representative and Gayle Williams from Ridgeview Medical Center in Waconia is filling the level 3 or 4 trauma program manager position. Please welcome them at their first STAC meeting on March 13, 2012.