



Pennsylvania Trauma Quality Improvement Program (PA-TQIP) Meeting Confidentiality Policy and Agreement

Pennsylvania Trauma Quality Improvement Program (PA-TQIP) meetings serve as a forum for individuals attending on behalf of PA-TQIP participating trauma centers to exchange information related to PA-TQIP in a confidential setting. As a meeting attendee, by signing below you agree to keep confidential any information disclosed in a PA-TQIP meeting according to the following terms.

The purpose of PA-TQIP is to improve the overall quality of care for trauma patients in trauma centers across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. At a PA-TQIP meeting, you and other attendees review sensitive trauma center/site-specific and aggregate data related to trauma system processes and outcomes of care, including the identification of statewide benchmarks, and engage in open discussions related to improving systems and methods of treatment. The following types of sensitive data may be discussed at a meeting:

- Patient health information.
- PA-TQIP trauma center/site case information.
- Information discussed regarding a specific PA-TQIP trauma center/site outcome.
- Information related to a specific PA-TQIP trauma center/site result or analysis.
- Any other data or information that identifies, or could identify, a patient or trauma center/site.

Under no circumstance may you disclose any data or information obtained at a PA-TQIP meeting with any person except with the trauma center that you are representing, and solely for internal, quality improvement purposes. For example, you may not disclose information received at a PA-TQIP meeting that will be used for marketing purposes or to the media.

Any violation of this policy will be reported to the Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation Board of Directors.

Please see the PA-TQIP Publications Policy for information on how PA-TQIP data may be used in publications.

Signature of meeting attendee: _____

Printed signature: _____

Printed title: _____

Facility or health system that attendee represents: _____