

<b>Date Position Begins:</b>	March 2026
<b>Appointment Term:</b>	Two years or membership term completion; Potential for reappointment for a second, 2-year term
<b>Membership Requirement:</b>	Membership in Central or Regional Committee on Trauma
<b>Participation Structure:</b>	VRC Program Area sits within the Quality Program Area
<b>Reporting Structure:</b>	Reports to VRC Program Area Chair
<b>Effort Requirement:</b>	Approximately 20 hours per month; Participation in COT Annual Meeting, COT Trauma Meetings during Congress, and TQIP Annual Conference
<b>Experience/Skills Desired:</b>	Must be in clinical practice at an ACS-verified Trauma Center Must be a lead VRC reviewer

### **Quality and VRC Program Area Overview**

The goal of the Quality Program Area and its programs is to advance and support high-quality care for trauma patients by defining standards of care; establishing tools and guidelines to help improve care; providing risk-adjusted benchmarking that measures quality and identifies areas for improvement; and enabling research to advance the field.

The Verification, Review, and Consultation (VRC) Program is an important component of the COT's Trauma Quality Program, which also includes the Trauma Quality Improvement Program (TQIP) and Performance Improvement and Patient Safety (PIPS) Program. The VRC Program is designed to help hospitals evaluate and improve trauma care as well as provide an objective, external review of institutional capability and performance. The VRC leaders are involved in the ongoing management of trauma center standards and site visits to assess trauma centers' adherence to standards.

### **Vice Chair General Responsibilities**

This position functions as a program area vice chair; please refer to the general expectations/requirements for the program area vice chair position.

### **VRC Program Area Vice Chair Specific Responsibilities**

- In collaboration with the TQP Medical Director, VRC Chair, and staff, provide subject matter expertise to help establish the strategic direction and intention for VRC-related work and the execution of VRC-related tactics and deliverables.
- In conjunction with the TQP Medical Director, VRC Chair, and staff, identify the need for work groups to carry out objectives, propose mandates, deliverable expectations, and resource requirements.
- Set expectations for VRC reviewers; participate in the development and implementation of reviewer training; and help devise strategies to improve reviewer skills, participation, and compliance.
- Review and approve VRC reports, and provide recommendations related to unsuccessful site visits.
- Participate in the trauma standards review, revision, and ongoing maintenance process, and provide guidance and input on challenging standards.
- Participate and assist in planning for at least three reviewer meetings a year.
- Participate in TQIP conference planning and attend TQIP conference.

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