Regionalizing Emergency Care

Welcome and Overview
2006 IOM Reports: “The Future of Emergency Care”
2006 Committee’s Statement of Task

1. Examine the emergency care system in the U.S.
2. Explore its strengths, limitations, and future challenges
3. Describe a desired vision of the emergency care system
4. Recommend strategies required to achieve that vision
IOM Recommendation: Designate a lead federal agency
IOM Recommendation: Strengthen pediatric emergency care
IOM Recommendation:
Improve the organization and
funding of emergency care research
IOM Recommendation:
End boarding and EMS diversion
IOM Recommendation: Regionalize emergency care
The IOM’s Vision:

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2009 IOM EC Workshops

May 21-22: The National Emergency Care Enterprise

June 10-11: Surge Capacity

Sept 10-11: Regionalization
Workshop objectives

1. Foster information exchange between federal officials involved in advancing emergency care regionalization and key stakeholder groups from around the country.

2. Learn from past experience and current efforts

3. Hold discussions with federal partners regarding policy options that could be the focus of future federal action
Agenda

• Overview of trauma care systems & emerging models of regionalization
• Lessons from other systems
• Potentials & pitfalls of regionalization
• Key issues in regionalization
• Federal partners wrap-up
• Written summary
Ground Rules

• This is NOT a consensus committee
• This workshop is purposefully designed to stimulate discussion and solicit input – that includes you!
• You are here because of who you are, not because of who you “represent”
• The power is in the process. We hope to break new ground, not recite CW
Thank you