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Southeast Region (5) Regional Trauma Advisory Board
Pittsburg County Health Department
1400 East College Avenue
McAlester, Oklahoma
May 12th, 2016 – 10:30 a.m.

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:38 a.m. by Chair Chelsea Bishop.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with all Board Members being present. The following General Members were absent: AllianceHealth Seminole; Careflite; Choctaw County Ambulance Authority; Choctaw Memorial Hospital; Hartshorne Ambulance Service; Hughes County EMS; Marshall County EMS District; Mary Hurley Hospital; McAlester AAP; McAlester Fire Department; McCurtain County EMS; Seminole Fire Department; Weleetka Graham EMS; Wewoka Fire Department.

III. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no introductions or announcements.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 11th, 2016

A motion was made by Delbert Gay (City of Antlers FD) to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by James Wilkins (McAlester Regional AirCare), and the motion passed unanimously.

V. REPORTS

A. Emergency Systems Report

Brandon Bowen (Oklahoma State Department of Health) began the Emergency Systems report by gathering feedback as to whether the report is still relevant and whether more information should be presented. Please direct all Trauma Care Assistance Revolving Fund questions to Grace Pelley at this time. If there are any questions regarding OKEMSiS, please contact Martin Lansdale, and contact Dr. Kenneth Stewart for any questions related to Trauma Registry. Mr. Bowen also mentioned that the Oklahoma Trauma and Emergency Response Advisory Council (OTERAC) has identified its main strategic goal is to help with all time-sensitive medical conditions to include stroke and STEMI. There are thoughts of creating one regional plan that will cover trauma and time sensitive medical conditions. Mr. Wilkins asked what defines a development visit by OSDH personnel, and Mr. Bowen described how EMS administrators are tasked with meeting with agencies and providing guidance on both regulatory and system issues.

B. Medical Emergency Response Center (MERC)

Kari Beggs (RMRS) gave the MERC report and stated that EMResource queries will only occur once per month now. She also informed the group that the next Regional Medical Planning Group (RMPG) meeting will be held in August. Mr. Gay asked Ms. Beggs to look into how he received two EMResource queries for Region 3 recently.



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Regional Sub-Committee Report

1. Regional Education Planning Committee

Mr. Wilkins provided the REPC report. He started by saying that several business items were table due to a lack of time to review them today. He described a few changes to the Regional Stroke Plan draft including typos and the addition of a section for pediatric neuro patients. He stated that there has been much discussion about stroke patient priority and pre-hospital assessment tools. He also mentioned the REPC is going to review the bylaws regarding one agency with multiple licenses having multiple representatives present at the RTAB.

2. Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Sub-Committee

Mr. Bowen reviewed two cases today, of which, both were cases where the system did not perform as designed. There was open discussion on how each case could have been handled differently to include the use of air ambulances compared to ground ambulances.

VI. PRESENTATION:

Stroke Presentation: Dr. Bill Lutton

Dr. Bill Lutton spoke about how strokes are truly time-sensitive due to the number of brain cells that die every minute. He reviewed typical transport times to various hospitals and how those times affect neuron death. He also discussed Activase and mechanical thrombectomy as treatment options for stroke patients.

VII. Business: (Discussion and appropriate action)

A. Vote to forward Regional Stroke Plan to OTERAC for review and comment

Mr. Wilkins described a few of the difficulties drafting the Regional Stroke Plan such as patient prioritization. He stated that he would like to send the draft plan to OTERAC in order to obtain feedback from the advisory council. Mr. Bowen raised a question as to whether the Board has seen the draft plan that they will be voting upon today. Ms. Beggs stated that the changes will be “housekeeping” and include a section covering pediatric neuro destinations. She stated that she will send the revised draft copy to the Board upon its completion. A motion was made by Delbert Gay to forward the draft plan to OTERAC for its review and comments. The motion was seconded by David Grovdahl (EMS of Le Flore County) and passed with unanimous approval.

B. Discuss Regional Trauma Plan

Ms. Bishop stated that the REPC was unable to discuss the Regional Trauma Plan due to time constraints. A motion was made by James Wilkins to table items B and C until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Delbert Gay and passed after unanimous approval.

C. Discuss and approve Regional strategic goals

Ms. Bishop stated that this item was also not discussed at the REPC due to time constraints and the item was tabled in the motion for item B.

D. Discuss new EMS rules and status

Mr. Bowen stated that the EMS rules have been revised over the last three years and the draft is now at the Legislature awaiting their vote. Unfortunately, the exact status regarding their approval is not known, but we are hoping to know within the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Gay raised a question regarding the qualifications of EMT instructors needing an



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associate's degree in order to be credentialed. Mr. Bowen stated that the requirement for a degree was supposed to have been removed from the rules, but the final draft includes it. However, the language contains a clause that may allow for certain exclusions. Mr. Gay's concerns revolve around a possible shortage of EMT instructors for areas outside the Tulsa and Oklahoma City.

Dr. Cathey also mentioned that new legislation was recently approved regarding community paramedicine.

E. Discuss statewide call center for time sensitive medical conditions

Mr. Wilkins stated that the Region 2/4/7 stroke working group has asked all other regions to request of OTERAC that the Trauma Referral Center (TReC) expand its role to include stroke, ST-segment elevated myocardial infarction (STEMI) patients, and other time-sensitive medical conditions. A motion was made by Delbert Gay to request OTERAC expand the TReC's umbrella to include stroke and STEMI patients. The motion was seconded by Traci Walker (Atoka County Medical Center) and passed with unanimous approval.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Stone (Coalgate FD) described an event where a helicopter air ambulance (HAA) was requested and the agency was given an estimated time of arrival of twenty minutes. After forty minutes of waiting, he contacted the HAA service and was told that the pilot "timed-out." He asked that in the future that the requesting agency be notified of such events. The air services in attendance requested to be notified in the event that this occurs again.

Mr. Gay mentioned communication problems that have occurred recently with HAA assets. The current trauma plan designates a radio frequency for communications, but it does not appear that it is being used. The REPC will review communications options and the trauma plan for revisions if necessary.

The Oklahoma Trauma and Emergency Response Advisory Council (OTERAC) meeting for June will be held at the Oklahoma State Department of Health building in Oklahoma City rather than Metro Tech Center as listed on the agenda.

David Grovdahl described the Medicaid rebalancing act that is being discussed in State legislature. He stated that it is estimated that over 90 nursing homes and 40 hospitals may close as a result of the legislation being reviewed. Mr. Grovdahl asked that all agencies contact their representatives to discuss the legislation soon as the current session is over in 15 days.

IX. NEXT MEETING

- A. CQI – February 11th, 2016 – 1:00 p.m. - Pittsburg County Health Department
- B. OTERAC – June 1st, 2016 – 1:00 p.m. – Metro Tech Center, 1900 Springlake Dr, Oklahoma City
- C. RTAB – August 11th, 2016 – 10:30 a.m. - Pittsburg County Health Department
- D. REPC – As Called

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Delbert Gay to adjourn that was seconded by James Wilkins. The meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Board of Health

BOARD MEMBER	REPRESENTATIVE	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	YTD
AIR METHODS	Nathan Schmidt	X	X			100
	David Henderson					
ALLIANCEHEALTH DURANT	Robyn Baldrige	X	X			100
	Jay Cuesta					
ALLIANCEHEALTH MADILL	Beth Awalt	X	X			100
	Michael Walker					
ATOKA COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER	Traci Walker	X	X			100
	Malissa Rains					
BRYAN COUNTY EMS	Brian Norton	X	X			100
	Wanda Gray					
CITY OF ANTLER EMS	Delbert Gay	X	X			100
	Darrell Spalding					
COLBERT EMS	Rodney Buchanan	X	X			100
	Jonathan Hom					
EMS OF LEFLORE COUNTY	David Grovdahl	X	X			100
	Keith Lickly					
INTERNATIONAL PAPER EMS	Russ Phillips	X	X			100
	Kim Ross					
LATIMER COUNTY GENERAL HOSPITAL	Laura Lance	X	X			100
	Ty Weston					
MCALESTER REGIONAL AIRCARE	James C. Wilkins	X	X			100
	Patrick Barkley					
MCALESTER REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER	Chelsea Bishop	X	X			100
	Dr. Karen Siren					
MCCURTAIN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	Laura Ray	X	X			100
	Pam Johnson					
PAFFORD EMS OF LATIMER COUNTY	Jerry Sanford	X	X			100
	Jim Koch					
PUSHMATAHA COUNTY HOSPITAL	Jauquetta Trotter	X	X			100
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GENERAL MEMBER	REPRESENTATIVE	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	YTD
AIR EVAC LIFETEAM 129 - HUGO	Michael Perrin Steve Bates	X	X			100
AIR EVAC LIFETEAM 22 - PARIS, AR	Michael Perrin	X	X			100
AIR EVAC LIFETEAM 65 - SHERMAN, TX	Micah Wilson Michael Perrin	X	X			100
AIR EVAC LIFETEAM 67 - GREENVILLE, TX	Brian Roether Michael Perrin	X	X			100
AIR EVAC LIFETEAM 73- DEQUEEN, AR	Michael Perrin	X	X			100
ALLIANCEHEALTH SEMINOLE	Robin May	A	A			0
ATOKA COUNTY EMS	Donna Eagleberger Shelli Smith	X	X			100
CAREFLITE	Lola Earley Lisa Rovedo	A	A			0
CHOCTAW COUNTY AMBULANCE AUTHORITY	Sara Richmond	X	A			50
CHOCTAW MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	Diane Oldham Pam Fields	X	A			50
CHOCTAW NATION HEALTH SERVICES AUTHORITY	Gerrick L. Johnson Lynette Lalli	X	X			100
CLAYTON EMS	Darrell Spalding Jennifer Hairrell	X	X			100
COALGATE FIRE DEPARTMENT EMS	Brian Stone Connie Merritt	X	X			100
CREEK NATION COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	Darla Cheatwood Jeffrey Dean	X	X			100
CREEK NATION EMS	Trever Engler Rick Thetford	X	X			100
EASTERN BRYAN COUNTY EMS	Melissa Scott Taylor Collins	X	X			100
EASTERN OKLAHOMA MEDICAL CENTER	Charlotte Drummond Bob Carter	X	X			100
HARTSHORNE AMBULANCE SERVICE	Dawn Dunkin	A	A			0
HOLDENVILLE GENERAL HOSPITAL	Jackie Smith Chad Short	X	X			100
HUGHES COUNTY EMS	Kristy Odom Ricky Barnett	X	A			50
KONAWA EMS	Gary Davy	A	X			50

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REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY BOARD

GENERAL MEMBER ATTENDANCE

LANE FROST HEALTH & REHAB CENTER	Gladyus Williams	X	X			100
MARSHALL COUNTY EMS DISTRICT	Dash Stanley	X	A			50
	Jerry Williams					
MARY HURLEY HOSPITAL/CCGH	Deborah Yother	X	A			50
	Karen Singleton					
MCALESTER AAP	Chris Morris	A	A			0
	Jeff Thompson					
MCALESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT/EMS	Eric Giles	A	A			0
	Ralph Jemigen					
MCCURTAIN COUNTY EMS	Cindy Conley	X	A			50
	Wade Patterson					
SEMINOLE FIRE DEPARTMENT/EMS	Bryant Baker	A	A			0
	Jason Hudson					
WELEETKA GRAHAM EMS	John Roberts	A	A			0
WEWOKA FIRE DEPARTMENT	James Keesee	X	A			50
	Kevin Green					