

# Oklahoma City Area Regional Trauma Advisory Board Oklahoma County

**12:30 PM RTAB Meeting  
January 12, 2016**

## **RTAB Minutes**

Chair  
David Howerton

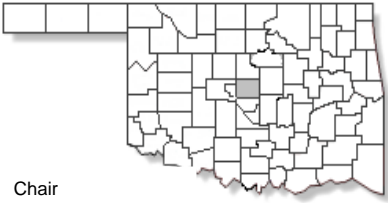
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- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 12:32 PM by Chair David Howerton.
- II. **Welcome and Introductions:** Chair David Howerton welcomed RTAB members and no introductions were made.
- III. **Roll Call:** Quorum met.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes** – October 13th, 2015: Motion made by Liz Webb of OU Medical Center and seconded by Brian Bottom of EMSA – West. Roll call vote with motion passed unanimously.
- V. **Treasurer's Report:** The Region 8 RTAB account balance is \$1455.47 with the only deductions made from account being the monthly \$2.00 paper statement fee. Efforts to move toward electronic statements are being made to avoid this fee. David Howerton and Cindy Moore will ensure that OSDH will receive a copy of the monthly statement for record keeping.
- VI. **Reports/Updates**
  - A. OSDH – Emergency Systems-Brandon Bowen
    1. Mr. Bowen introduced Harriet Cooper, Manager of Quality Initiatives, who handles complaints and will be working with Dr. Cathey and Emergency Systems staff to perform the non-deemed facility stroke verification surveys.
    2. OTERAC will meet March 2, 2016 at 1:00 PM at Metro Technology Center's Spring Lake Campus in Oklahoma City. Currently, OTERAC's primary objective is the identification and treatment of all time sensitive medical conditions and they are currently working on strategic planning for direction of trauma emergency and response.
    3. Emergency Systems is doing a wellness survey among EMS professionals to be sent out in 2016. The purpose of this survey is to measure wellness and fitness and gain capture of health indicators of EMS professionals in the state of Oklahoma. All EMS personnel working in all areas of healthcare including EMS agencies, emergency medical responders, and EMS hospital staff are encouraged to complete this survey. The survey is completely anonymous with questions addressing health indicators such as mental health, lifestyle, fitness, and diet.
    4. The Emergency Systems Activity 2015 Annual and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Reports are provided in the member packet for review.
  - B. Continuous Quality Improvement Subcommittee
    1. Because the CQI Subcommittee was not able to meet last quarter, there is no report at this time.
    2. Heather Booher, CQI Coordinator, states that Emergency Systems is receiving more CQI cases. These cases are an educational process for our trauma system to improve system performance and improve outcomes.
    3. CQI Submission Forms are located at the back of the member packet. These forms may be submitted anonymously.
  - C. Sub-Committee Reports
    1. Trauma Rotation: Main topics of discussion at the last meeting included real time tracking of air assets, call rotation, concerns regarding discussion of stroke and non-trauma related items at the RTAB meetings.
    2. Regional Planning Subcommittee: The committee is waiting for stroke and STEMI data to become available, at which time they will consolidate the Trauma Plan with a stroke and STEMI plan for Region 8.
  - D. TReC Update – Dan Oller
    1. A TReC Report is available in the member packet for review. TRec Manager, Dan Oller, is the point of contact for agencies wanting their individual data.
  - E. EMSA transports – David Howerton gave the following EMSA trauma transport numbers from the Oklahoma City metropolitan for November 2015 noting that Priority III transports in the area are increasing.
    - Priority I: 84
    - Priority II: 55
    - Priority III: 670
- VII. **Presentations**
  - A. Region 8 Regional Trends – Brandon Bowen
    1. Mr. Bowen provided a presentation that covered the following areas:
      - The current role of OSDH and potential role the RTAB could play in establishing Region 8 regional plans for stroke, STEMI, and other time-sensitive medical conditions
      - Trauma referral patterns in Region 8
      - An explanation of the call rotation, the On-Call Hospitals, and assigned vs. unassigned patients
      - The nomenclature used for patient prioritization compared to that of hospital classification
      - EMTALA numbers and concerns for Region 8
      - Encouraging a patient-centered, systems of care approach for the treatment of trauma patients with an emphasis on positive relationships between personnel involved in the continuum of care for those patients



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2. Brandon also provided opportunity for those in attendance to provide comments and ask questions throughout the presentation.

B. Dr. Scott Schaeffer – Emerging Drugs of Abuse: The presentation was rescheduled for the next RTAB meeting.

**VIII. Business:**

A. David Howerton – Delivery of Trauma Patients to Free Standing Emergency Departments:

1. Mr. Howerton discussed the transport of trauma patients to the 4 free standing facilities under St. Anthony's license in Oklahoma City. It was believed that the outlying EMS services may be transporting to the free standing facilities instead of transporting directly to OU creating increased Priority I and Priority II transfers in Region 8. Providing evidence to the contrary, Michelle Faulkner presented the total number of trauma patients transported out of St. Anthony's free standing facilities to unknown hospitals in 2015. Of the 144 patients transferred out of these facilities, only 6 arrived by ambulance, with 3 being minor transfers. The remainder arrived by personal vehicle.

**IX. Public Comment:**

A. David Howerton: Mr. Howerton will request Region 8 EMS Administrator, Jennifer Woodrow, to send out something to all Region 8 RTAB members asking them to form a subcommittee to discuss stroke and STEMI or advise their facility stroke and STEMI coordinators to meet and discuss stroke and STEMI. The Rotation Subcommittee will be contacted to determine the date of the next meeting. If no meeting is scheduled, a request will be made to the rotation subcommittee to hold a meeting and to place Region 8 RTAB on the agenda to discuss trauma rotation concerns.

**X. Next Meeting:**

RTAB  
INTEGRIS Southwest Medical Center OKC  
April 12, 2016, 2016 at 12:30 PM

RPC – As called

CQI  
INTEGRIS Southwest Medical Center OKC  
April 12, 2016 at 1:30 PM

**XI. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Nalagan of Mercy OKC and seconded by Brian Bottom of EMSA. Meeting adjourned at 1:44 PM.