

**Capital Area Trauma Regional Advisory Council
Executive Board
March 22, 2012
12:00 – 2:00 pm
CATRAC Offices
4100 Ed Bluestein Blvd Suite 200, Austin 78721**

Minutes

I. Call To Order

- Roll Call of Executive Board
- Introductions

II. Approval of Minutes

- **February 23, 2012, Executive Board Meeting** – A motion was made by Mike Elliott and seconded by Ken Strange. It was approved with no changes.
For: 15 Opposed: 0

III. Public Comments – None.

IV. Treasurer & Financial Report – Ken Strange

– CATRAC is working on budget changes for the OASPR funding and an amendment is due March 31. The Johnson City Bank is offering corporate account training. Marilyn will send out this training information to the board. The CATRAC financial report was provided. A motion was made by Dr. Ware and seconded by Darlene Posey for approval.
For: 17 Opposed: 0

V. Chair Report

- Kenny said that if you have any updates for your 2012 CATRAC information, please provide. Be sure to pass along your 24/7 contact information for emergency notification information. Kenny also provided an update on DSHS trauma registry. Trauma registry conference call got data points to about 120. The program goes into effect in August. FEMA is seeking public comment and input on the National Response Framework.

VI. DSHS Update – None. No DSHS representative attended the meeting.

VII. Trauma Centers Update -

Dell Children's (Level I) - Dave Golder said that they are going through their ACS re-verification on 5/24 and 5/25. The 3rd bed tower is on target for completion in 2013. They are looking at hosting EMS education event during EMS week but this is also during ACS visit so they are looking at alternative dates. Juliette Brown said that a safety summit will be held at Dell Children's and they are looking at pedestrian and motor vehicle crashes in hot spots. There is also a child passenger safety technician course on April 27-30.

UMC Brackenridge (Level I) - Dr. Brown stated the Trauma Conference will be held May 31-June 1. They will also be going through the ACS visit (re-verification process).

St. David's Round Rock MC (Level II) – Dr. Ware is working on geriatric trauma service line data. He noted that falls account for 82% of the trauma related issues.

Dr. Ware is looking at how to involve EMS in looking at home for safety concerns when responding on these patients. Fayette County has a program they will share related to patient interaction and follow up. ATCEMS community medicine person will be interested as well. Data shows consistent 36-38% trauma admissions are geriatric. Discussion then focused on the new geriatric designation criteria. A suggestion was made to stand up a special ad hoc workgroup to discuss these criteria. It was suggested that Dave contact Jori Klein, one of the planners on the geriatric process, and have this new geriatric designation criteria presented at the May meeting.

- VIII. Executive Director Update** – Dave provided an update on Michelle. Any information to be shared with membership will need to be forwarded to Dave, Robin and Marilyn in the interim. Dave mentioned the purchasing of furniture for the room at the end of the building. Dave asked for a motion to be made to put a cap on the furniture purchase in order for staff to move forward. Kenny proposed a cap of \$16,000 for staff to purchase chairs and tables as previously discussed. The motion by made by Dr. Ware and seconded by Glenn Germer.
For: 15 Opposed: 0

Dave mentioned that they have not heard anything regarding the OASPR FY'13 funding but anticipates slight reduction. OASPR grant will be alignment with public health and hospitals. Guy Stevenson, St. David's NAMC, is the champion for preparing nurse strike teams on the EMTF project. Contact Guy if interested in additional information. MMU for May exercise, CATRAC will be providing the DRASH tent for sleeping quarters during exercise. There will be a tent set up training session next on Friday at the CATRAC office. Anyone is welcome to help and learn.

IX. Project(s) Update

- EMTF – Mike Elliott stated that there were no major updates since the last meeting. The EMTF-7 Exercise will be in May at Laerdal Plant in Gatesville. The AmBus purchase is moving forward by ATCEMS.

X. County Representative Updates

- a. Travis County – Mike Elliott said that the hiring of EMTs is causing some stress in the ranks but they are moving forward. Process already open; fast tracking because of civil service pending. The units will move to a staffing of one paramedic and one EMT. They are hiring any level certification but will operate as EMT level unit.
- b. Bastrop County – George Bosquet said the narcotic shortages are still an issue. April 13th is next RPR committee meeting, will invite EMS reps to attend to discuss narcotic issues.
- c. Lee County – Sylvan Mersiovsky had nothing to report.
- d. Caldwell – Glen Germer said that they City of Lockhart EMS conversion to ESO for electronic patient records has taken place.
- e. Fayette – Sharon Muzny said they have nothing to report except for MS 150 is coming up on April 21-22.
- f. Hays – Ken Strange reported that Saturday, March 24th is the Disaster Preparedness Fair at 10a-2p in Wimberley at Johnson Field. The goal is to educate community on how to take care of themselves for 72 hours. He also said that the county agencies are working together per directive of the County Judge. Hays County fire chiefs are gearing up for Urban Shield.

- g. Burnet County – Darlene Posey stated that MFAEMS had their biannual fish fry fundraiser. They will be hiring part-time EMTs and Paramedics and information is on their website. Process is on March 30 & 31st.
- h. Llano – Gregg Knapp had nothing to report.
- i. Williamson – Kenny Schnell said their hiring process yielded 6 medics out of 100 applicants. Dr. Jarvis has been in place for six months now. They started a new CQI process and peer-peer reviews. First Responder organizations – WILCO EMS will be providing CE through 24/7. WILCO EMS is partnering with Williamson County Public Health on data resource and collection through EPR and First Watch. They had a swift water rescue activation this last week, did great job and had two successful rescues. There is an educational offering for Child Seats safety day on March 30th at St. David's Georgetown Hospital. Tim Tebow will be coming to Celebration Church on Easter Sunday. They are expecting 20,000 attendees. The church has 700-800 volunteers. WilCo OEM and other organizations are working together to coordinate coverage.

XI. Committee/Workgroup Reports

- Performance Improvement-Trauma Committee – Dr. Brown, Chair is looking to communicate with hospital stakeholders.
 - a) Coagulopathy in Traumatic Brain Injuries – Some of the Seton trauma doctors published this article which will be sent out with the minutes. Had a bad outcome on patient with fall on Coumadin. Factor VII is making a dramatic difference. Shelf life is 2 years at room temperature. It costs approximately \$1000/dose. UMC Brackenridge has been supplying to all the Seton hospitals. Some questions raised – Are we able to get Factor VII to smaller outlying facilities? Can the RAC help? Glenn Germer asked what the barrier is (financial, data?). Possibly take it to the Regional Preparedness committee or look at a grant. Dr. Brown is concerned that information brought forth by PI committee is not getting shared with appropriate stakeholders at all hospitals in region. It was suggested that the Chief Medical Officers be contacted. *Dr. Brown asks that list be provided at next PI committee meeting, April 17th at 10 a.m. at UMC Brackenridge.*
 - b) Geriatric Trauma Designation Process – a lot of information coming down regarding requirements for geriatric designation requirements. Dave will contact someone from the GETAC trauma systems committee to come to talk to the board to discuss details. Discussed appointing an adhoc committee to look into this for our RAC.
- Air Medical Workgroup– Traci Fox, Chair – Traci discussed Air Medical Safety Day which will be in May at the Executive Airport. . Sylvan requests the LZ list be worked on.
- Bylaws Committee – Juliette Brown, Chair – There was no report as the committee has not met.
- Cardiac Care Committee– Dr. Wozniak & Dr. Zidar, Co-Chairs – Traci reported that the sustainability project with PCI centers moving forward slowly. Treatment guidelines to be reviewed later this year after national recommendations release.
- Education Committee – Chris Parker, Chair – Ben Oakley stated that a mini-conference on forensics medicine will be held on April 27at St. David's North Austin Medical Center in April regarding child/elder abuse. An ABLIS course is being targeted for this summer. The Education Committee is offering to

subsidize the class for CATRAC members. Attendee will pay for class and then get reimbursed once attended.

- Injury Prevention Committee – Juliette Brown, Interim Chair – The committee met at 11:00 AM. They are looking for a committee chair. The RFP was released and they received three proposals. Reviews are in the process. April 27-30 is the Child Passenger Safety Training. Contact Juliette for more information.
- Pre-Hospital Committee – Mark Montgomery, Chair – The committee approved the Safe Start initiative. Richard Herrington presented the initiative regarding the transfer of patient care from EMS to hospital. Mark said they also discussed the Med Com issue. He said there is a need for notification of EMS providers of a hospital status, especially during a disaster or if a hospital, such as Brackenridge, has a closure.
- Regional Preparedness & Response Committee (RPRC) – Freddy Krail, Chair – The major agenda item was a presentation regarding the Williamson County & Cities Health District Medical Reserve Corps (MRC). We also discussed the state OASPR site monitoring visit and Urban Shield Exercise.
- Stroke Committee - Dr. Harding, Chair – Dr. Harding said they are working to coordinate around the stroke guidelines.
- Trauma Coordinators/Registry Workgroup – Gaylen Tips and Karla Hosick, Co-Chairs – Dave reported that this group met last month. They are looking at some trauma education for nursing and how best to get data from within the region, especially for the PI Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dave reported that CATRAC is working with Fayette County EMS, Guardian EMS, ATCEMS, and the MS Society regarding the medical operations for the MS150 Bike Event on April 21-22, 2012. John Tieman, Northwest Rural EMS, is the chair for medical operations and has requested WebEOC and EMTrack to be used. CATRAC is working with SETRAC also on this coordination.

NEW BUSINESS:

XII. Discussion / Scuttlebutt - None was reported.

XIII. Adjourn

A motion was made by Dr. Ware and second by Ken Strange. The meeting adjourned at 1355.

HANDOUTS / Documents:

- *Recombinant Factor VIIa to Correct Coagulopathy in Patients with Traumatic Brain Injury Presenting to Outlying Facilities Before Transfer to the Regional Trauma Center*
- GETAC Geriatric Facility Designation Criteria
- GETAC Trauma Systems Committee Feb.8 pdf

Next Meeting Update:

- **General / Executive Combined:** April 26, 2012 at St. David's Medical Office Building
- **Committee Meetings:** As Per Committee Chair
 - **Regional Preparedness and Response Committee:** April 13 at 0900 at CATRAC
 - **Education Committee:** April 24 at 0900 at CATRAC

2012

Executive Board & General Membership Meeting Calendar

DATE	MEETING TYPE	TIME	LOCATION	
Jan. 26, 2012	Lunch General Member/ Exec. Board	12 pm-1 pm 1 pm-3 pm	St. David's Medical Center Medical Office Building	
Feb. 23, 2012	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200	
March 22, 2012	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200	
April 26, 2012	Lunch General Member/ Exec. Board	12 pm-1 pm 1 pm-3pm	St. David's Medical Center Medical Office Building	
May 24, 2012	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200	
June 28, 2012	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200	
July 26, 2012	Lunch General Member/ Exec. Board	12 pm-1 pm 1 pm-3 pm	St. David's Medical Center Medical Office Building	
Aug. 23, 2012	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200	
Sept. 27, 2012	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200	
Oct. 25, 2012	Lunch General Member/ Exec. Board	12 pm-1 pm 1 pm-3 pm	St. David's Medical Center Medical Office Building	
Nov. 15, 2012	Holiday Schedule	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200
Dec. 20, 2012	Holiday Schedule	Executive Board	12 pm-2 pm	CATRAC Office-Suite 200

CATRAC Committee scheduling will be based on need and the discretion of the Committee Chairperson.

Executive Board – Meets 4th Thursday of the month (Exception: Thanksgiving & Christmas Holidays)
Combined General Membership & Executive Board – Meets the 4th Thursday of January, April, July, and October.

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Executive Board – 2012

Position Representing	Name	Affiliate Organization
Registered Nurses	Kim Gill, RN	Hospital at Westlake
Rural Physician	Dr. Bob Harding	Seton Highland Lakes
Trauma Physician	Dr. Neal Ware	Seton Medical Center Williamson
Non-Lead Facility (CATRAC Secretary)	Traci Fox, RN, EMT-P	St. David's MC
Lead Facility	Dr. Carlos Brown	University MC at Brackenridge
Pre-hospital (CATRAC Vice-Chair)	Scott Fernandes, EMT-P	Travis County ESD #6
Pediatric Facility	David Golder, RN	Dell Children's Medical Center
Bastrop County	George Bousquet, EMT	Bastrop County 1 st Responders
Blanco County	Tim Vasquez, EMT-P	North Blanco EMS
Burnet County	Darlene Posey, EMT-P	Marble Falls EMS
Caldwell County	Glen Germer, EMT-P	Luling EMS
Fayette County	Sharon Muzny, EMT-P	Fayette County EMS
Hays County (CATRAC Treasurer)	Ken Strange, EMT-P	Wimberley EMS
Lee County	Sylvin Mersiovsky, EMT-P	B&M Ambulance Service
Llano County	Greg Knapp, EMT-P	Scott and White Healthcare Llano
San Saba County	Charles Peeler, ECA	San Saba County EMS
Consumer	Juliette Brown, MPH	Dell Children's Medical Center
Travis County	Mike Elliott, LP	Austin Travis County EMS
Williamson County (CATRAC Chair)	Kenny Schnell, LP	Williamson County EMS
(CATRAC Immediate Past Chair)	Jackie Gondeck, RN	St. David's Medical Center
Executive Director	Dave Reimer, RN LP	CATRAC Staff
Emergency Prep. Coord.	Robin Wiatrek, MPH	CATRAC Staff
Accounting	Marilyn Hollingsworth	CATRAC Staff
Admin. Assistant	Michelle Fillman	CATRAC Staff