



**Capital Area Trauma Regional Advisory Council
Executive Board & General Membership
January 22, 2015
1:00 – 3:00 pm
St. David's Medical Center
5th Floor Auditorium
919 East 32nd Street, Austin, TX**

Meeting Minutes

- I. **Call To Order**
 - Roll Call – The meeting was called to order by Kenny Schnell at 1304 and began with roll call. Quorum with 14 Board members present.
 - Introductions – Kenny Schnell asked those present at the meeting that were not included in roll call to introduce themselves. There were 66 in attendance.
- II. **Approval of Minutes**
 - October 23, 2014, Executive Board & General Membership
 - A motion was made by Dr. Drue Ware to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by James "Scooter" Green. 14 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.
- III. **Infectious Disease update (Ebola Virus Disease)**
 - Dave Reimer provided an update in regards to Infectious Disease. Dave reported that the CDC has broken down the hospitals into three categories: Ebola Treatment Centers; Ebola Assessment Hospitals; Frontline Healthcare Facilities. As far as Ebola Treatment Centers are concerned there are 3 in the State of Texas. The Ebola Assessment Hospitals need to be able to provide care for the patient until the patient tests positive or negative. Dave reported that in our area 3 patients are being monitored at this time for 21-days.
- IV. **Public Comments** – There were no public comments.
- V. **Treasurer & Financial Report**
 - The Treasurer & Financial Report was not available today.
- VI. **Chair Report**
 - Kenny Schnell publicly congratulated the CATRAC Staff for their recent accomplishments in regards to recent audits and grant management. Kenny also reported that there have been a lot of accomplishments in various workgroups and coalitions as of late. Kenny also reported that the Hospital Data Exchange (HDE) project is moving along well and is expecting to meet all of the benchmarks this year.
- VII. **Executive Director Report**
 - Dave Reimer publicly congratulated the St. David's Healthcare for their recent receipt of a national Baldrige award. Dave also publicly congratulated Dr. Jarvis who was awarded as Texas Medical Director of the Year and Kenny Schnell who was awarded as Texas EMS Director of the Year. Dave reminded everyone that the uncompensated trauma care application is due January 30th. Dave also reported that Dr. David Lakey resigned as the Commissioner of DSHS. Dave reported that there have been numerous staff member changes at DSHS that will probably greatly affect their operations. Dave reported that TETAF is having their annual trauma day at the Capital. Dave showed a video from the news regarding the construction of the new Brackenridge.
- VIII. **Executive Board Action Items**
 - There were no Executive Board Action Items today.

- IX. **DSHS Update**
- There was no DSHS update today.
- X. **Trauma Centers Update**
- Dr. Ware reported that things are going well at Seton Williamson. He reported that trauma volume is down, which is normal for the winter months.
 - Karla Hosick from St. David's Round Rock Medical Center reported that they had their highest volume year ever in 2014, and they are very excited about that. She also reported that they got the final report back from ACS and completed their revalidation.
 - University Medical Center at Brackenridge reported that their conference is coming up May 27th through 29th. They also reported that they are having a new injury prevention program coming up targeted towards 14-19 year olds in regards to motor vehicle safety.
- XI. **Emergency Medical Task Force Update**
- Dave Reimer reported that Victor Wells is moving to a different position at STRAC, Joe Palifini is filling in the interim as the State EMTF Coordinator. Dave reminded hospitals that Mike Elliott and Keith Noble can bring the AMBUS out to their facilities to see how it works. Dave reported that there are Ambulance Strike Team Leader courses in February and an Ambulance Staging Manager course in April, more information will be available on the CATRAC website. Dave reported that the MMU Exercise in Georgetown went well.
- XII. **County Representative Updates**
- **Lee** - No Report
 - **Fayette** - Sharon Muzny reported that they are starting their Community Paramedicine program.
 - **Burnet** - Darlene reported that Marble Falls Area EMS is updating their standards of care.
 - **Llano** - Cristy Knapp reported that Llano County EMS is working on their relicensure.
 - **Blanco** - Ben Oakley reported that North Blanco County EMS recently completed a hiring process and are preparing for the upcoming HITS Triathlon.
 - **Bastrop** - James "Scooter" Green reported that they just graduated 24 students from their EMT Program and they have 30 registered for their next course. He reported call volume is down a little bit but things are well. He reported Acadian is doing well fulfilling their contract.
 - **Hays** - Ken Strange reported that the county is still working on moving to a new CAD system and that SMHCEMS is doing a hiring process.
 - **Travis** - Mike Elliott reported that they de-activated the Ebola screening on their MPDS and activated their Influenza-Like Illness screening questions and sending those alerts out. Mike reported that the AMBUS is available for inter-facility transfers where the equipment won't fit in a normal ambulance.
 - **Williamson** - Kenny Schnell encouraged agencies to collaborate with each other in regards to their Community Paramedicine/Mobile Integrated Healthcare programs. Kenny reported that their community paramedicine continues to be successful.
- XIII. **Committee/Workgroup Reports and Action Items**
- **Air Medical [James "Scooter" Green & Terri Thompson]** - James reported that they have a helipad camera project that they are finishing up that allows their dispatch centers to see the helipads. He also reported that they are working on a project to partner with EMResource or FleetEyes to track location and availability of air medical providers.
 - **Bylaws [vacant]** - Dave Reimer reported that bylaws revisions are ongoing.

- **Cardiac Care/Mission Lifeline [Dr. Wozniak & Dr. Gigliotti]** - Amy Jones reported that the Cardiac Care committee is working on goals for 2015. She reminded everyone that the Mission: Lifeline recognition for 2014 is coming up.
- **Education [Sarah Leach & Vangie Barefoot]** - Kim Gill reported that the Education Committee recently met and discussed the upcoming Designated Infection Control Officer's course and that a subsidy is available by contacting Michelle Fillman. Kim also reported that the Education Committee is working on being able to help with costs of sending personnel to some of the great upcoming conferences. She also reported that the Committee Forums should be online soon.
- **Injury Prevention [Stewart Williams & Willis Sefcik]** - Robin Wiatrek reported that the Injury Prevention committee is presently doing a data call to identify injury prevention programs in the region. She also reported that the Injury Prevention mini-grants are coming up soon. The focus areas for this year's mini-grant is: fall prevention, transportation-related, and animal safety. The IP mini-grant applications will be distributed soon. Willis Sefcik was selected as the co-chair during the committee meeting.
- **Performance Improvement -Trauma [Dr. Aydelotte]** - Dr. Ware reported that the committee has gained a lot of traction and direction since Dr. Aydelotte took over the committee. Dr. Ware reported that the committee is discussing the possibility of a field amputation team. Dr. Ware reported that they are preparing to do a research project on looking at mortality and extrication times.
- **Pre-Hospital [Robert Hartigan & Keith Noble]** - Robert Hartigan reminded everyone in the group to turn in their equipment availability so that the Regional Resource Guide could be completed. Robert reported that they are continuing to work on standardizing rehab protocols.
- **Regional Preparedness & Response Committee (RPRC) [Freddy Krail & Mike Elliott]** - Robin Wiatrek reported that they are evaluating the eight healthcare capabilities per the HPP grant and identifying areas of gaps.
- **Stroke - [Dr. Morton & Dr. Pullido]** - Kate Peterson reported that the Stroke Committee met this morning. She reported that the committee is changing some of their processing and wording within the committees. The committee is missing some key stakeholders, and publicly asked all of the hospitals to send their Stroke Coordinator and Stroke Medical Director's contact information to Robin. She also asked for more EMS participation at the meetings. Adrian from South Austin Hospital reported that SAH is now a Primary Stroke Center. Dr. Pullido was selected as co-chair during the committee meeting.
- **Trauma Coordinators/Registry [Karla Hosick & Diana Kraus]** - Karla Hosick reported that they are continuing to work on challenges with getting data back from the State Trauma Registry and that they are working on a form for facilities to get feedback when they transfer patients out to higher facilities.

XIV. **Events / Exercises**

- Dave Reimer reported that the MS150 is coming up and CATRAC will be working with Fayette County EMS and others on event medical preparations. He also reported that the CATRAC will be working with Blanco County on the HITS Triathlon.
- Glenn Spradlin reported that the CAPCOG regional exercise committee will be meeting next week, if interested contact Glenn. He also reported that the CATRAC exercise committee will be meeting next week.

XV. **Other Business**

- Dave Reimer reported that the Medical Director's course is available for free until August. If you are interested go to www.medicaldirector.com.
- Dave also reported that there have been some changes to the EMS/Trauma System and that the new chart was distributed.



XVI. **Discussion / Scuttlebutt**

- There was no discussion or scuttlebutt.

XVII. **Adjourn**

- A motion to adjourn was made by Kim Gill, seconded by Ken Strange. There was no further discussion. 14 voted in favor, none opposed. Motion carried. Kenny Schnell adjourned the meeting at 2:34pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ben Oakley, BA, LP
Board Secretary - CATRAC



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 - Education – Sarah Leach & Vangie Barefoot
 - Injury Prevention – Stewart Williams
 - Performance Improvement -Trauma – Dr. Aydelotte
 - Pre-Hospital – Robert Hartigan & Keith Noble
 - Regional Preparedness & Response Committee (RPRC) – Freddy Krail & Mike Elliott
 - Stroke - Dr. Morton
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HANDOUTS / Documents:

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Next Meeting Updates:

- **Executive Board:** February 25, 2015 at CATRAC



- **General / Executive Combined:** April 23, 2015 at St. David's Medical Center Medical Office Building
- **Committee Meetings:** As Per Committee Chair