

Oklahoma Trauma and Emergency Response Advisory Council (OTERAC)
Medical Direction and Coordination Committee
REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, May 6, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

Location of Meeting: Tulsa County Medical Society
5315 S. Lewis Ave • Tulsa, OK 74105

Minutes

1. Call to Order.....Dr. Patrick Cody, Chair
Dr. Cody called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. Roll Call.....Dr. Patrick Cody, Chair
Roll call was taken. Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present	Absent
Dr. Carolina Wales	Dr. James Campbell
Dr. Alisa Cross	Dr. William Worden
Dr. Joseph Love	
Dr. Patrick Cody	
Dr. John Shellenberger	
Dr. David Gearhart	
Dr. Curtis Knoles	
Dr. Jason McElyea	

3. Introductions and Announcements.....Dr. Patrick Cody, Chair
Lori Strider introduced Aboutanaa ElHabti and Dean Henke to the group. Dr. William Murry from Comanche Health EMS introduced himself.

4. Approval of Minutes from February 4, 2026.....Dr. Patrick Cody, Chair
Dr. McElyea made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Dr. Shellenberger. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Dr. Carolina Wales		
Dr. Alisa Cross		
Dr. Joseph Love		
Dr. Patrick Cody		
Dr. John Shellenberger		
Dr. David Gearhart		
Dr. Curtis Knoles		
Dr. Jason McElyea		

5. Discussion, consideration, possible action and vote to:Dr. Patrick Cody, Chair
 - Medical Director qualifications
Discussion was tabled until next meeting
 - Status on the Interfacility for new Triage, Transport, and Transfer guidelines
Discussion was held regarding the document Dr. Cody shared with the committee. The committee expressed support for the overall direction and content of the document; however, members agreed to defer further action until the Statewide Trauma Plan is presented and reviewed by the committee. Dr. Cody will send out the document for the committee to review.
 - Update on assignments regarding protocol development
Discussion was held regarding the progress of individual assignments related to the protocol review and development process. Committee members provided updates on their respective sections and discussed areas requiring additional refinement and coordination. The committee expressed a preference for the protocols to remain more generalized in the primary document, with more aggressive or highly specific treatment protocols placed within appendices for reference as needed. Members agreed this structure would improve usability, flexibility, and consistency across the protocol framework. Dr. Cody requested that all committee members complete their assigned sections prior to the next meeting to allow for continued review and consolidation of the document.
6. Public Comment
None at this time
7. Next Meeting
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8. Adjourn
Dr. Gearhart made a motion to adjourn at 10:55 a.m. and seconded by Dr. Wales. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Dr. Carolina Wales		
Dr. Alisa Cross		
Dr. Joseph Love		
Dr. Patrick Cody		
Dr. John Shellenberger		
Dr. David Gearhart		
Dr. Curtis Knoles		
Dr. Jason McElyea		