



**Northwest (1) Regional Planning Committee
Microsoft Teams**

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July 28th, 2020 – 9:00 am

AGENDA

The following members are participating remotely using the Microsoft Teams teleconference platform: Rodney Baker, Joshua Boden, Vanessa Brewington, Tamara Fischer, Jamie McAlister, Emily Powell, Derek Vermillion, Valerie Schultz, and Grant Wadley.

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Welcome and Introductions**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Approval of Minutes – January 22nd, 2019**
- V. Business**
 - A. Discussion, consideration, possible action and vote to recommend to RTAB amendments to the Rural EMS Stroke Triage Algorithm for recommendation to the Oklahoma State Stroke System Advisory Council – Jennifer Woodrow
 - B. Discussion, consideration, possible action and vote to approve draft Region 1 Stroke Plan for recommendation to the RTAB – Erin Fast
 - C. Discussion, consideration, possible action and vote to approve amended Region 1 Trauma Plan for recommendation to the RTAB – Chair Jamie McAlister
 - D. Discussion, consideration, possible action and vote to approve amended Region 1 Bylaws for recommendation to the RTAB – Chair Jamie McAlister
 - E. Discussion, consideration, possible action and vote to approve 2021 Meeting Dates, Times, and Venue – Chair Jamie McAlister
 - January 26th, 2021 beginning at 9:00 am at the High Plains Technology Center
 - April 27th, 2021 beginning at 9:00 am at the High Plains Technology Center
 - July 27th, 2021 beginning at 9:00 am at the High Plains Technology Center
 - October 26th, 2021 beginning at 9:00 am at the High Plains Technology Center
- VI. New Business**

(For matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the meeting)
- VII. Next Meeting**
 - A. Regional Trauma Advisory Board
July 28th, 2020 – 10:30 am
 - B. Quality Improvement Committee
July 28th, 2020 – 12:00 pm
 - C. Oklahoma Trauma and Emergency Response Advisory Council
October 7th, 2020 – 1:00 pm
 - D. Regional Planning Committee
October 27th, 2020 – 9:00 am
- VIII. Adjournment**



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MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jennifer Woodrow at 9:01 am.

II. Welcome and Introductions

Jamie McAlister introduced herself as a new member of the Regional Planning Committee. Jennifer Woodrow introduced Ms. Brandee Keele as the new Quality Improvement and Survey Analyst at the Oklahoma State Department of Health.

III. Roll Call

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Joshua Boden, Tamara Fischer, Jamie McAlister, Derek Vermillion, Valerie Shultz, and Grant Wadley. The following members were absent: Rodney Baker, Vanessa Brewington, and Brandon Leisure.

IV. Approval of Minutes – January 22nd, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Valerie Shultz and seconded by Grant Wadley. The motion passed 5 – 0.

V. Reports/Updates

A. Region 1 Stroke Plan Working Group Report

Valerie Schultz stated that the workgroup has not had any meetings and the information that was presented at the last RTAB was kind of the demo plan for level III and level IV stroke centers. There was some discussion this week at the Oklahoma State Stroke System Advisory Council (OSSSAC) that there are some level IV hospitals that can provide Alteplase. Members discussed rather stroke patients should be transported to Level IV Stroke Centers if the facility was capable of administering Alteplase, and if so, what Region 1 Level IV facilities are capable of administering this medication. Mercy Hospital Watonga is capable whenever the medication is in stock. Members noted that if a Level IV does not have the capability to perform a CT scan or administer Alteplase 24/7, they should stay a Level IV and EMS should bypass and go onto a Level III Stroke Center. Grant Wadley stated that the liability needs to be taken off of EMS so they do not have to call or look up to see if Alteplase is available. Valerie stated she would email the draft plan to everybody to review it for any necessary changes to be voted on at the next meeting. Dan Whipple asked why the Level IV stroke centers are not giving Alteplase if it is available. Members noted that the facilities may not have CT personnel available 24/7 and may not have somebody available to read the CT results if neurology is down. Members discussed reaching out to the executives of these hospitals to make them aware they are paying a lot of money for a medication that is not being used and they can potentially make an impact on patient outcomes if they were actually willing to administer the drug that is sitting on the shelf expiring. It was noted that facility management needs to be approached to get ensure EMResource is updated regarding ability to administer Alteplase. Committee members also noted that a Level IV may have Alteplase but the provider is not comfortable administering the medication. The Region 1 Stroke Working group will continue to work on the draft regional stroke plan and plan to bring it back to the April 2019 meeting for approval.



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- B. Region 1 Bylaws and Trauma Plan Working Group Report
Jennifer stated the representative Rodney Baker is not here. She spoke with Rodney, and he is busy and does not currently have time to work on revising the plans. The Region 1 RMRS is currently reviewing the trauma plan and can assist the working group with updating the plan. Josh Boden, Jamie McAlister, and Grant Wadley volunteered to join the trauma plan and bylaws working group.

VI. Business

- A. Discussion of 2019 goals with possible vote to approve
Members determined the goals of 2019 to be completion and approval of the Region 1 Bylaws, Trauma Plan, and Stroke plan. A motion was made to approve the determined goals by Valerie Schultz and seconded by Jamie McAlister. There was no discussion and the motion passed 5-0.
- B. Nomination and vote to approve Regional Planning Committee (RPC) Chair
Valerie Schultz nominated Jamie McAlister to be chair of the RPC. A motion was made to approve Jamie McAlister as Chair by Valerie Schultz and seconded by Tamara Fischer. There was no discussion and the motion passed 5-0.

VII. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

VIII. Next Meeting

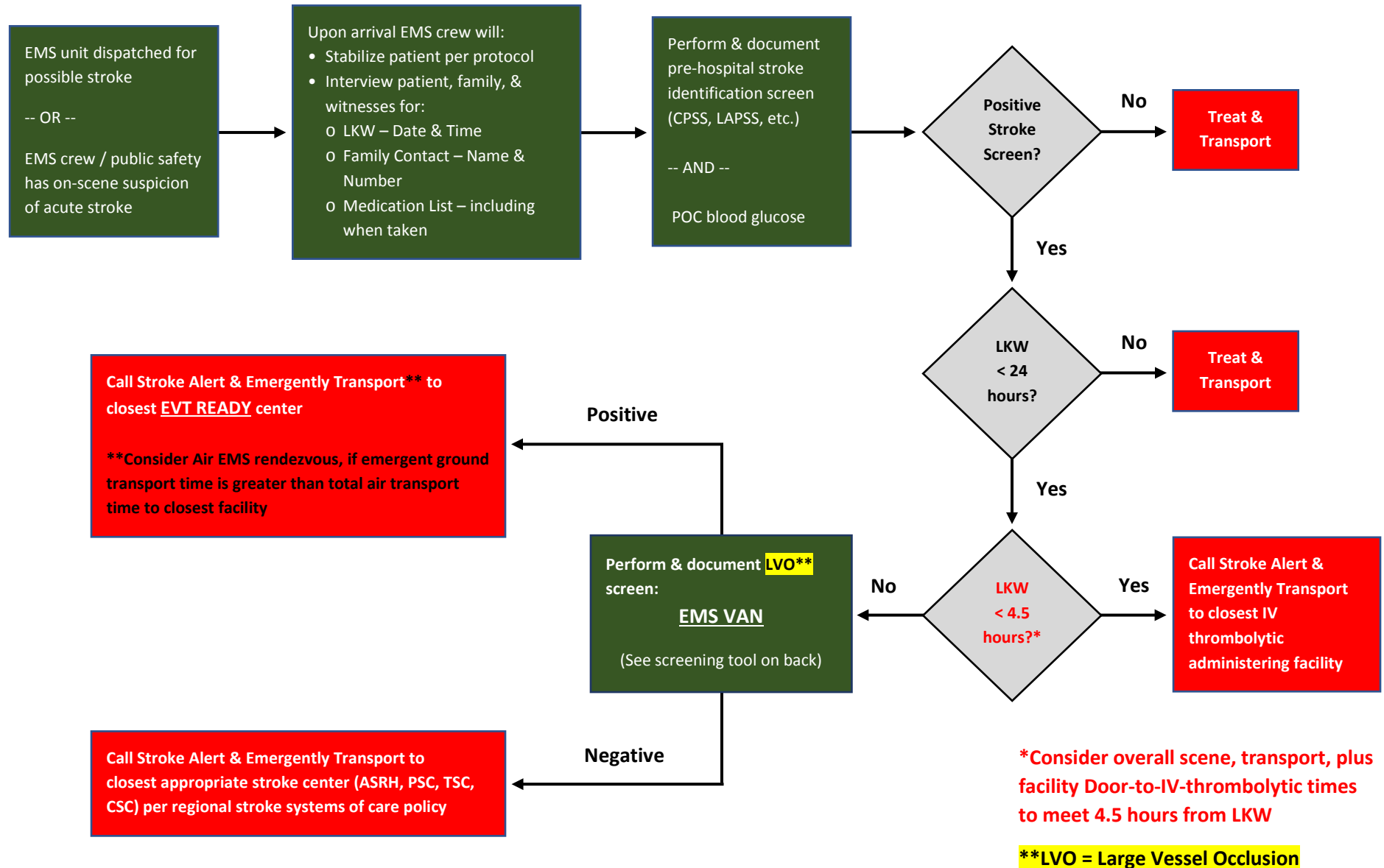
- A. Regional Trauma Advisory Board
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April 23rd, 2019 – 10:30 am
- B. Quality Improvement Committee
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April 23rd, 2019 – 12:00 pm
- C. Oklahoma Trauma and Emergency Response Advisory Council
Oklahoma Department of Health
1000 NE 10th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73117
June 5th, 2019 – 1:00 pm
- D. Regional Planning Committee
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IX. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Tamara Fischer and seconded by Grant Wadley. The meeting adjourned at 9:41 am.



SEVERITY-BASED STROKE TRIAGE GUIDELINE ALGORITHM FOR RURAL EMS



EMS VAN: Acute Stroke Screening Tool (for Large Vessel Occlusions)

Is ARM weakness present?

☐ **Yes** **Continue the VAN exam.**

☐ **No** **Patient is VAN negative. Stop VAN exam.**

	Yes	No
Visual Disturbance?		
Aphasia?		
Neglect?		

If patient has **any degree of weakness PLUS any 1** of the below:

Visual Disturbance - (Assess field cut by testing both sides, 2 fingers right, 1 left)

Aphasia - (Inability to speak or understand. Repeat and name 2 objects, close eyes, make fist)

Neglect - (Forced gaze to one side or ignoring one side, touching both sides)

This is likely a large artery clot (cortical symptoms) = **VAN Positive**