

East Central (4) Regional Trauma Advisory Board (RTAB)
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, August 22, 2024 - 1:00 p.m.

Location of Meeting: Saint Francis Hospital Muskogee
300 Rockefeller Drive • Muskogee, OK 74401

The East Central (4) Regional Trauma Advisory Board regular meeting notice was posed on the OSDH website located at <https://oklahoma.gov/health/services/licensing-inspections/emergency-systems/trauma-division/rtabs-regional-trauma-advisory-boards-/region-4-rtab.html> as well as the Secretary of State’s website located at <https://www.sos.ok.gov/meetings/legacy/search.aspx> on 11/29/23.

Minute

1. Dr. James Campbell, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Welcome and Introductions.....Dr. James Campbell, Chair
3. Roll Call was taken. Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present at Roll Call	Absent at Roll Call
Air Evac Lifeteam – Henryetta, Sherri McKeown	Carrus Lakeside Hospital
Cherokee Nation EMS, Jeff Jackson	Cornerstone Hospital of Oklahoma
Cherokee Nation W.W. Hasting, Lori Taylor	Drumright Regional Hospital
Hillcrest Hospital Henryetta, David Jestice	Haskell County Community Hospital
Dr. James Campbell	Mannford Ambulance Service
Memorial Hospital of Stillwell, Alan Adams	Mercy Lifeline 4
Muskogee County EMS, Tricia Fleming	Mucogee (Creek) Nation Medical Center
Northeastern Health – Sequoyah, Ozalena Martinez	Tulsa Life Flight – Pryor sub-station
Northeastern Health System, T. Ken Wantland	Tulsa life Flight 5 - Okmulgee
Northeastern Health System EMS, Mike Cates	
Okmulgee County EMS, James Nichols	
Saint Francis Hospital Muskogee, Jennifer Thompson	
Adair County EMS	
Air Evac Lifeteam 83 – Muskogee	
Checotah EMS	
Coweta Fire Department/EMS	
First Flight Tahlequah – proxy	
Hasting EMS	
MERC/RMRS	
Pafford EMS of OK – Sequoyah County	
Wagoner Community Hospital	
Wagoner EMS	

4. Alan Adams made a motion to approve the May23, 2024, minutes and seconded by Mike Cates. The motion carried as follows:

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5. Reports

- Lori Strider shared staffing updates, Lori Strider – EMS Coordinator, Grace Pelley – Trauma Coordinator, Dr. Wyatt Hockmeyer – EMS & Trauma Manager, and Michaelde’Angelo Tascier – Medical Facilities Director. EMS initial vehicle inspections are scheduled online, and agency inspections are being conducted yearly. Trauma Fund, Trauma Registry, OKEMSIS, and EMResource questions should be submitted to Esystems@health.ok.gov and put your questions in the body.
- Dr. James Campbell shared with the committee that they reviewed 10 cases, closed 2 of them, 7 letters were sent, 2 of those 7 were for good job.
- Mark Forrest shared with the committee that they did meet today at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is free to attend the meetings. The work for the Region is done at these meetings. We closed out some items we were working on this year. Tricia Fleming gave an update on the feedback from the trauma centers. She has spoken with Maryavis with Saint Francis. She has the contacts for this Region. She will start funneling the feedback to the EMS agencies. If you would like the contact for St. John Hospital, get with Tricia she has the name and number at her office. Dr. Campbell asked the committee for topics for the RPC to work on. If they think of any, please get with Mark or himself.
- Sam Murray shared with the committee they had 1 activation here in Muskogee. The wind took out the power to Saint Francis Muskogee, Cornerstone Hospital, the VA hospital in Muskogee, and a few nursing homes; they were on generator power. They were available for support for those agencies just in case they needed help. There has been an uptake in illegal fertilizer in the area. They are working on their next year training, if they have any ideas or topics to cover, please send them to Sam. The surgical extraction team has a new phone number – 1-580-301-7001. There is a SET exercise scheduled for October 4th, 2024, in Fort Washita.

6. No stroke update.

7. Sarah Connally thanked the committee for filling out the survey they had been doing for the last 2 months. Oklahoma is up to 51% now.

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8. Business

- A discussion was had over the 2025 proposed Board Members for the region.

Cherokee Nation- W.W. Hasting	Muskogee Co. EMS
Dr. James Campbell	Okmulgee Co. EMS
Hillcrest Hospital Henryetta	Northeastern Health System EMS
Memorial Hospital of Stilwell	Cherokee Nation EMS
Northeastern Health System	Air-Evac Lifeteam-Henryetta
Saint Francis Muskogee	
Northeastern Health - Sequoyah	

- A discussion over the RPC and CQI committee members. Ray Yerby volunteered to be part of the RPC committee.

RPC	CQI
Alan Adams	James Campbell, DO
Dr. James Campbell	Robert Colvin, NRP, FP-C
Jennifer Thompson	Mike Ford, CCEMPT
Mark Forrest	Jim Roberts
Mike Cates	Sommer Thompson, BSN, RN
Tricia Fleming	Matt Young, NRP, FP-C
Ray Yerby	

- Discussion and Nominations for RTAB Officers for 2025;
 - Chair nominations – Tricia Fleming was nominated by Dr. James Campbell
 - Vice Chair nominations – Ozalena Martinez was nominated by Dr. James Campbell
 - Secretary nominations – Jeff Jackson was nominated by Dr. James Campbell
- Discussion about the 2025 RTAB meeting dates, times and location. The May meeting is not during EMS week. Venue to keep the same location, Saint Francis Muskogee Hospital,
 - February 11, 2025 – 1:00 p.m. - Venue
 - May 13, 2025 – 1:00 p.m. - Venue
 - August 12, 2025 – 1:00 p.m. – Venue
 - November 11, 2025 – 1:00 p.m. – Venue

9. Lt. Ryan Woodard presented Autism Interaction for First Responder. He informed the committee autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a developmental disability caused by differences in the brain. They have 3 different function levels of autism; ASD level 1 requires support, ASD level 2 requires substantial support, and ASD level 3 requires very substantial support. Central Disease Center says 1 in 44 children in the United States is Autistic. Lt. Ryan Woodward gave numerous characteristics of autistic adults, how to interact with autistic individuals, and common emergency calls. The common emergency calls include wandering/ elopement, injury (to self or others), mental health crisis, victims of a crime, and suspicious behavior. He gave the committee tips for EMS and fire fighters, search and rescue efforts, patient encounter tips, and informed the committee that

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caregivers are your friends. He informed the committee to ask questions, get involved, and get equip with a sensory kit.

10. Commissioner for the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Allie Friesen asked the committee what troubles they have in the field with mental health calls. EMS shared experiences they have had in the field. Questions are asked about transport of patients and where the responsibility falls. Discussion is had about the options that are presented outside of using police or ambulance with a contract company that has a positive impact on the community. It is reported that there has been an increase in pediatric patients with an increase in difficulty finding beds for the patients, especially those with chronic medical conditions.
11. No new business.
12. Future meeting dates for 2024
 - November 21, 2024 – 1:00 p.m. Saint Francis Muskogee Hospital
13. No public comment.
14. Alan Adams made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Sherrie McKeown at 2:56 p.m. The motion was carried as follows:

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