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Southeast (5) Regional Trauma Advisory Board

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, May 9, 2024 – 10:30 a.m.

Location of meeting: Pittsburg County Health Department •
1400 East College Avenue • McAlester, OK 74501

The Southeast Regional Trauma Advisory Board regular meeting notice was posted on the OSDH website located at <https://oklahoma.gov/health/services/licensing-inspections/emergency-systems/trauma-division/rtabs-regional-trauma-advisory-boards-/region-5-rtab.html> as well as the Secretary of State's website located at <https://www.sos.ok.gov/meetings/notices/001302/0595932311171257.htm>

On November 17, 2023

Minutes

1. Pamela Cunningham, Chair called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
2. Roll Call was taken and recorded as follows:

Present at Roll Call	Absent at Roll Call
Air Evac Lifeteam 129, James Smith	Mary Hurley Hospital
AllianceHealth Durant, Lisa Vowels	Seminole Fire-Rescue
Antlers (City of) EMS, Delbert Gay	Wewoka Fire Department
Atoka County Medical Center, Rusty Cole	
Bryan County EMS, Brian Norton	
Choctaw Memorial Hospital, Velvet Bullard	
Choctaw Nation Health Authority, Gerrick Johnson	
Colbert EMS, Toni Coats	
Creek Nation Community Hospital, Brad Smith	
Eastern Oklahoma Medical Center, Vanessa Afzali	
EMS of LeFlore County, Keith Lickly	
Hughes County EMS, Christopher Miller	
McAlester Regional AirCare, Ted Caudill	
McAlester Regional Health Center, Pamela Cunningham	
McCurtain County EMS, James Smith	
McCurtain Memorial Hospital, Pam Jackson	
Pushmataha Co Antlers Hospital, Delbert Gay	

Air Evac Lifeteam, James Smith – AELT 139, AELT, 149, AELT Durant, AELT 158, AELT 022, AELT 065, AELT 073.	McAlester Fire Department EMS
Atoka County EMS, Randy Bryant	Medical Air Rescue Company
Choctaw County Ambulance Authority, Arron Mack	
Choctaw Nation EMS, Gerrick Johnson	
Choctaw Nation Healthcare Center, Gerrick Johnson	
Coalgate Fire Department, Mike Jurisdý	
Community EMS, LLC, Jerald Stanford	
Creek Nation EMS, Brad Smith	
Holdenville General Hospital, Amanda Davis	
International Paper EMS, Kimberley Ross	
Konawa EMS, James Farris	
McAlester Army Ammunition Plant, Trevor Pool	
Pafford EMS of Okla (McAlester), Megan Wollam	
Paris Regional Medical Center, Samantha McDowra	

3. There were no Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements
4. Delbert Gay moved to approve the February 8, 2024 and was seconded by Brad Smith. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Air Evac Lifeteam 129, James Smith		
AllianceHealth Durant, Lisa Vowels		
Antlers (City of) EMS, Delbert Gay		
Atoka County Medical Center, Rusty Cole		
Bryan County EMS, Brian Norton		
Choctaw Memorial Hospital, Velvet Bullard		
Choctaw Nation Health Authority, Gerrick Johnson		
Colbert EMS, Toni Coats		
Creek Nation Community Hospital, Brad Smith		
Eastern Oklahoma Medical Center, Vanessa Afzali		
EMS of LeFlore County, Keith Lickly		
Hughes County EMS, Christopher Miller		
McAlester AirCare, TJ Caudill		TJ Caudill Abstain
McAlester Regional Health Center, Pamela Cunningham		
McCurtain County EMS, James Smith		
McCurtain Memorial Hospital, Pam Jackson		
Pushmataha Co Antlers Hospital, Delbert Gay		

5. Reports

- Pamela Cunningham reported that the Oklahoma Trauma Emergency Response Advisory Council provided congratulations for Region 5 on their near perfect attendance for the February 8, 2024 meeting. Great Job Region 5.
- Emergency Systems
Dean Henke shared Marshall County was moved to Region 3 by Homeland Security on January 3, 2024 because of the emergency response of aid and assets in the event of a catastrophic incident within Marshall County and to keep alignment with the Oklahoma Highway Patrol's Districts/ Troops. Mr. Henke shared any questions for our department they need to email Esystems@health.ok.gov . EMS Vehicle inspections are still being scheduled online and conducted by the State Capital. Trauma Registry compliance reports will be placed in BOX and there is upcoming training on how to use BOX. For OKEMSIS and Trauma Registry, those reports must be submitted 30 days after the previous month. Mr. Henke reported that the Trauma Funds are for Physicians, Hospitals, and EMS to receive funds for unreimbursed trauma calls. All training for BOX, OKEMSIS, Trauma Fund, and Trauma Registry are in your packets, or you can email Esystems@health.ok.gov .
- Continuous Quality Improvement Committee
Pamela Cunningham reported the last meeting on April 12, 2024 and they reviewed 5 cases and sent out 10 letters requiring responses. 14 responses were reviewed. Next meeting will be July 12, 2024 via TEAMs.
- Regional Educational Planning Committee (REPC)
Kari Beggs reported the Region 5 Envenomation Plan was approved and sending to the RTAB for approval. The REPC also reviewed the RTAB attendance for February 8, 2024 and the region has shown great improvement in attendance.
- Regional Medical Response System (RMRS)
Kari Beggs, Director report Region 5 responded extremely well to the tornado on April 27, 2024. There will be two Surgical Extraction Team exercises for this summer, and she invited AELT to be a part of the exercises. Next RMPG meeting will be 6/26/2024.

6. Sarah Connally, Grant Administrator for EMS-C is providing training courses for Autism Awareness, CPR, ACLS, and PALS. Pediatric readiness surveys will be sent out to facilities. Contact Ms. Connally at 405.271.3307 ext. 2 or sarah-connally@ouhsc.edu for further information.
7. Laura Isom, Stroke Liaison reported the Region 5 Stroke Plan is still working on the rough drafts submitted in March. New leadership for OSSSAC is Dr. Barghois and for OSCAAR is Melody Bridges.
8. Dr. Alisa Cross gave a presentation over the challenges in the management of geriatric trauma patients. She provided an overview of geriatric trauma and a description of the current state of geriatric trauma at OU Health. She shared with the committee that geriatric patients are living longer and is 60% the fastest growing population and currently make up 20% part of the total population. They have higher mortality and complication rates than other trauma patients. This is due to their frailty rate being more than the age of the patients. Geriatric patients have decreased physiologic reserve and resistance to stressors. They have an increased vulnerability to poor outcomes.

9. Discussion, consideration, possible action, and vote to.....Pamela Cunningham, Chair
- Motion was made by TJ Caudill and seconded by James Smith AELT to add Korey Langston, Dr. Amanda Green, and Dr. Mark Campbell to the Continuous Quality Improvement Committee. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Air Evac Lifeteam 129, James Smith		
AllianceHealth Durant, Lisa Vowels		
Antlers (City of) EMS, Delbert Gay		
Atoka County Medical Center, Rusty Cole		
Bryan County EMS, Brian Norton		
Choctaw Memorial Hospital, Velvet Bullard		
Choctaw Nation Health Authority, Gerrick Johnson		
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Hughes County EMS, Christopher Miller		
McAlester AirCare, TJ Caudill		
McAlester Regional Health Center, Pamela Cunningham		
McCurtain County EMS, James Smith		
McCurtain Memorial Hospital, Pam Jackson		
Pushmataha Co Antlers Hospital, Delbert Gay		

- Motion was made by Gerrick Johnson and seconded by Brian Norton to add Darrell Spalding to the REPC. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Air Evac Lifeteam 129, James Smith		
AllianceHealth Durant, Lisa Vowels		
Antlers (City of) EMS, Delbert Gay		
Atoka County Medical Center, Rusty Cole		
Bryan County EMS, Brian Norton		
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McAlester Regional Health Center, Pamela Cunningham		

McCurtain County EMS, James Smith		
McCurtain Memorial Hospital, Pam Jackson		
Pushmataha Co Antlers Hospital, Delbert Gay		

- Motion was made by Delbert Gay and seconded by Rusty Cole to approve the Region 5 Envenomation Plan. The motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Air Evac Lifeteam 129, James Smith		
AllianceHealth Durant, Lisa Vowels		
Antlers (City of) EMS, Delbert Gay		
Atoka County Medical Center, Rusty Cole		
Bryan County EMS, Brian Norton		
Choctaw Memorial Hospital, Velvet Bullard		
Choctaw Nation Health Authority, Gerrick Johnson		
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10. No New Business

11. Public Comment

Sarah Connally provided the EMS for Childrens report. See business Item 6.

12. Next Meeting

- August 8, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

13. Motion was made by Brian Norton and seconded by TJ Caudill to adjourn at 11:27 a.m. The motion the motion carried as follows:

Ayes	Nays	Abstain
Air Evac Lifeteam 129, James Smith		
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Atoka County Medical Center, Rusty Cole		
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