

Creating a State of Health

Southwest (3) Regional Education Planning Committee
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, August 1, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Location of Meeting: Comanche County Memorial Hospital - Outpatient Surgery Center Oakwood
Conference Room
110 Northwest 31st Street • Lawton, OK 73505-6100

The Southwest RTAB Regional Education Planning Committee 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-3-rtab.html> on December 12, 2023 as well as the Secretary of State’s website located at https://openmeetings.ok.gov/ords/r/oma/omadev/public-html-meeting?p52_state_public_body_id=1844&p52_meeting_instance_id=14803 on December 1, 2023 at 8:50 a.m.

Minutes

1. Rachel Talley, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.
2. Roll Call was taken and recorded as follows:

Present at Roll Call	Absent at Roll Call
Brad LanCaster	Tyler Walters
Robert Stewart	Scott Tanner
Rachel Talley	Jenalu Simpson
Tre McPherson	Tiffany Baxter
Maisey Covington	Beth Malone Arrive 9:06 a.m.
Heather Carothers	
Cade Webb	

3. No Introductions and Announcements
4. Motion was made by Heather Carothers and seconded by Maisey Covington to approve the April 4, 2024 meeting minutes. The motion carried as follows:

Aye	Nay	Abstain
Brad LanCaster		
Robert Stewart		
Rachel Talley		
Tre McPherson		

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5. Discussion, consideration, possible action, and vote to recommend to RTAB.....Rachel Talley, Chair
- Top CQI Issues for Improvement

Hospital Delays	EMS Issues
Under Triage	Under triage
Delays going into radiology for diagnostics	Failure to follow the trauma plan
Delays in radiology results	Lack of clear direction as to what constitutes stabilization
Delays in initiating the transfer process	
Delays in contacting transport	
Ordering extensive workups on P1 patients	
Delays in consult physician arriving (answering a page)	
Delays in arrival of EMS to transport	
Delays in packaging the patient for transport and the patient not being ready when EMS arrives.	

Rachel Talley, Chair shared that the CQI issues are not needed at this time. The Region 3 Trauma Plan should be reviewed every two years and needs to be on the next agenda. Dean Henke shared the Trauma Plan shows it was reviewed 04/01/21. Mr. Stewart shared the REPC must review the plan first before recommending changes to the RTAB.

- Discussion of the 2019 CQI data shared with Region 3
Rachel Talley shared this data will be used as a baseline for the future.
- Discussion for 2025 REPC meeting venues, dates, and times
 1. February 6, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. - Great Plains Business Development Center
 2. April 3, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. - Great Plains Business Development Center
 3. August 7, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. - Great Plains Business Development Center
 4. October 2, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. - Great Plains Business Development Center
 Bob Stewart shared there may be a location change in August 2025.

6. Strategic Planning topics

- Regional prehospital destination protocol
Beth Malone presented a draft a Ground/Air Ambulance Protocol which included verbiage for transports to closest hospitals, patient choice exceptions, multiple mass casualty incidents, weather conditions, time-critical patients, and several other items to help reduce EMS providers fatigue for emergent and non-emergent transfers. Ms. Malone shared that EMS facilities should have defined hospitals that are within a reasonable distance from their response area. Brad LanCaster and Bob Stewart shared the protocol will need reworked. Mr. LanCaster shared the

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need for a fatigue assessment based on the wheel time of the EMS crews. That the fatigue assessment is based on a scoring system which assesses what time of day the transfer is, the crew’s call volume, weather conditions, and experience of the medic. This assessment is rated as a low, medium, or high risk on a medic being behind the wheel on a transfer. Bob Stewart shared the goal is to use a matrix based on the transfer and EMS criteria. Mr. LanCaster suggested once the plan is ready to beta test it in the region with different hospitals. The REPC will review and edit this plan.

7. No New Business

8. No Public Comment

9. Next Meeting

- Thursday, October 3, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

10. Adjourn

Motion was made by Brad LanCaster and seconded by Robert Stewart to adjourn. The motion carried as follows and the meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Aye	Nay	Abstain
Brad LanCaster		
Robert Stewart		
Rachel Talley		
Tre McPherson		
Maisey Covington		
Heather Carothers		
Cade Webb		
Beth Malone		