



MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM (EMSTS)

REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY BOARD

APRIL 17, 2013 - 12:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Gregg Fusto, RN, Chair, University Medical Center	Mary Ellen Britt, RN, Regional Trauma Coordinator
John Fildes, MD, University Medical Center	Kim Dokken, RN, St. Rose Siena Hospital
E.P. Homansky, MD, MAB Chairman	Linda Kalekas, RN, Clark County School District
Melinda Case, RN, Sunrise Hospital	Kathy Silver, Health Services Coalition
Eric Dievendorf, EMT-P, AMR-LV	Sajit Pullarkat, Centennial Hills Hospital
Karyn Doddy, MD, Rehabilitation Services (alt)	

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sean Dort, MD, St. Rose Siena Hospital	Chris Fisher, MD, Sunrise Hospital
Linn Billingsley, Rehabilitation Services Rep.	Erin Breen, Transportation Research Center, UNLV
Scott Vivier, EMT-P, Henderson Fire Department	Kelly Boyers, Public Representative
Jennifer McDonnell, St. Rose Siena Hospital	

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Rory Chetelat, OEMSTS Manager	Mike Bernstein, SNHD – OCDPHP
Michelle Nath, Recording Secretary	

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Scott Morris, North Las Vegas Fire	Kyle Carlson, CSN
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CALL TO ORDER – NOTICE OF POSTING

The Regional Trauma Advisory Board convened in the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) 330 S. Valley View Boulevard facility, Conference Room #2-2a on April 17, 2013. Chairman Gregg Fusto called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. and the Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Chairman Fusto noted that a quorum was present.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are allowed to speak on Action items after the Board's discussion and prior to their vote. Each speaker will be given five (5) minutes to address the Board on the pending topic. No person may yield his or her time to another person. In those situations where large groups of people desire to address the Board on the same matter, the Chair may request that those groups select only one or two speakers from the group to address the Board on behalf of the group. Once the action item is closed, no additional public comment will be accepted.

Chairman Fusto asked if anyone wished to address the Board. Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Fusto stated the Consent Agenda consisted of matters to be considered by the Regional Trauma Advisory Board (RTAB) that can be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Board member request. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

Approve Minutes/Regional Trauma Advisory Board Meeting: 1/16/13

Chairman Fusto asked for approval of the minutes from the January 16, 2013 meeting. *A motion was made by Dr. John Fildes, seconded by Kim Dokken, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as written.*

III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Renewal of Authorization of University Medical Center as a Level I Trauma Center and Level II Pediatric Trauma Center

University Medical Center (UMC) submitted an application requesting authorization to continue to operate as a Level I trauma center and a Pediatric Level II trauma center. Mary Ellen Britt outlined the process for a hospital seeking designation as a trauma center noting “NRS 450B.237 and Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) Trauma Regulations require that any hospital that desires designation as a trauma center in Clark County from the State Health Division shall first request authorization from the Board.” Dr. John Fildes presented the application and requested the Board’s approval. Ms. Britt informed the Board that the SNHD Office of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System staff recommends approval of UMC’s application based on their willingness to continue to provide trauma services in the community; their active participation in the trauma system; and their compliance with the requirements outlined in the Trauma Regulations. *A motion was made by Dr. E.P. Homansky, seconded by Melinda Case, and passed unanimously to approve UMC’s application for renewal of authorization.*

III. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ONLY

A. Report from Emergency Medical Services Representative

Eric Dievendorf reported that medication shortages continue to be an issue for the EMS community. AMR has nearly completed its training on changes regarding the use of Versed.

B. Report from General Public Representative

Kelly Boyers did not attend the meeting.

C. Report from Non-Trauma Center Hospital Representative

Sajit Pullarkat stated there were no items to report.

D. Report from Payers of Medical Benefits Representative

Kathy Silver was introduced to the Board as the newly appointed member replacing Leslie Johnstone. In her first report to the Board, Ms. Silver stated the implications of health care reform are having dramatic impacts on the cost of health care benefits and the community will be affected by these costs.

E. Report from Rehabilitation Representative

Dr. Karyn Doddy reported the Trauma Rehabilitation Committee continues to refine the trauma rehabilitation data collection process.

F. Report from Health Education & Prevention Services Representative

Ms. Kalekas reported that a small group of people convened last week to continue their review of the six original objectives of the SNIPP as approved by the RTAB. They focused on the third and fourth objectives which are to develop a quantitative community health and injury assessment in order to

provide an evidence-based and injury-specific prevention program; and facilitate and promote collaboration and coordination of available resources to meet identified needs.

She informed the Board that Jeanne Marsala, RN, Director of Safe Kids Clark County, provided a PowerPoint presentation entitled, "Community Assessment 2013 - Pediatric Population." The project examined trauma incident and fatality data in the pediatric population based upon mechanism of injury and different pediatric age groups. She commented the value in analyzing the data comes when you identify the specific areas that require attention and determine what injury prevention programs already exist and which ones need to be developed.

During the meeting, Ms. Marsala also introduced a monthly report format currently used at Safe Kids for tracking injury prevention program outreach in the community. She maintains records of each type of injury prevention program offered which includes date, time, risk area, event type, location, and other pertinent data elements. The SNIPP members agreed that this format would be a significant tool to share with other injury prevention groups to create a systematic manner for data collection to be utilized in the further development of these programs.

G. Report from Legislative/Advocacy Representative

In Ms. Breen's absence, Ms. Britt reported that Senate Bill 205, a bill requesting funding for the State trauma registry, was presented to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee on April 4, 2013. Ten people testified at the hearing in support of the bill and it continues to move through the legislative process with anticipation that it will be presented to the Senate Finance Committee next. Senator Woodhouse, the bill sponsor, will inform Ms. Breen of any pertinent details as they develop.

H. Report from Public Relations/Media Representative

Kim Haley did not attend the meeting.

Ms. Britt announced there are three people on the RTAB whose terms will expire at the end of June; those seats are for a person representing rehabilitation services, public providers of EMS, and private providers of EMS. The EMS & Trauma System Office will be sending an email notification requesting nominations for these positions.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

V. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business on the agenda, Chairman Fusto called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to adjourn at 12:47 p.m.