

**MINUTES**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

**REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**September 14, 2005 - 2:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rory Chetelat, EMS Manager, CCHD	Michael Metzler, MD, Sunrise Hospital
John Fildes, MD, University Medical Center	Melinda Hursh, RN, Sunrise Hospital
Mary Henson-Luera, RN, UMC	Sean Dort, MD, St. Rose Dominican Hospital
E.P. Homansky, MD, American Medical Response	Kim Dokken, RN, St. Rose Dominican Hospital
Sandy Young, RN, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue	Erin Breen, UNLV Safe Communities
Mary Guinan, MD, PhD, UNLV School of Public Health	

**CCHD STAFF PRESENT**

Mary Ellen Britt, RN, QI Coordinator	Eddie Tajima, Recording Secretary
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**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

Gail Yedinak, RN, UMC	Bobbette Bond, Culinary Health Fund
Steve Otto, Sunrise Hospital	Matt Koschmann, St. Rose Dominican Hospital
Jo Ellen Hannom, Clark County Fire Department	

**I. CONSENT AGENDA**

The Regional Trauma Advisory Committee convened in Human Resources Training Room #2 of the Ravenholt Public Health Center on Wednesday, September 14, 2005. Chairman Rory Chetelat called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m. and the Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Chairman Chetelat asked for approval of the minutes of the July 20, 2005 meeting. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes as written.

**II. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**A. Trauma Transport Data Review**

Mr. Chetelat provided the committee with the trauma transport data figures for July and August. Dr. Guinan asked where the data came from. Mr. Chetelat replied that the trauma centers provided weekly reports to the EMS office which are then compiled into a monthly report. Mr. Chetelat added that St. Rose had opened one week into the August report so their data was limited.

**B. Update of Draft Trauma Plan Subcommittee Meeting**

Mr. Chetelat informed the committee that due to his role in the Hurricane Katrina evacuee planning, he didn't have an opportunity to work on the trauma plan. Mr. Chetelat advised the committee that another trauma plan subcommittee meeting was scheduled for October 24, 2005 and revisions made in that meeting would be forwarded to the committee.

C. Formation of the Trauma Medical Advisory Committee

Mr. Chetelat reminded the committee that as of October 1, 2005, quality/performance improvement meetings could occur under the protection of the new legislation. The Trauma Advisory Medical Committee would include the physicians and trauma coordinators of the trauma centers and a representative from the Clark County Health District EMS office. The group would review cases and appropriate EMS and hospital staff would be invited as needed. Dr. Homansky requested the TMAC meeting be scheduled on the same day as the RTAC meeting. Mr. Chetelat informed the committee that due to scheduling conflicts among the members, there would be no October RTAC meeting. A tentative meeting date of November 16, 2005 was scheduled, at which the TMAC meeting times and agendas could be further discussed.

D. Clarification of Burn Patients' Destination Decisions

Mr. Chetelat asked for clarification of burn patient destination guideline. Dr. Homansky clarified that burn patients with non-traumatic injuries are to be transported to the Burn Center.

III. NEW ISSUES

Mr. Chetelat asked the group to consider procedures for trauma center overload so it could be included in the trauma plan.

III. PUBLIC APPEARANCE/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Chairman Rory Chetelat called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously to adjourn at 3:22 p.m.