



**MINUTES**  
**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM**  
**DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**  
**REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY BOARD (RTAB)**  
**June 7, 2018 - 2:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

John Fildes, MD, Chair, UMC	Lisa Rogge, RN, University Medical Center
Kim Dokken, RN, St. Rose Siena Hospital (via phone)	Kim Royer, RN, Sunrise Hospital
Danita Cohen, Public Relations/Media	August Corrales, Paramedic, Private EMS Provider
Jeff Ellis, System Financing/Funding	Kelly Taylor, Payers of Medical Benefits
Frank Simone, Paramedic, Public EMS Provider	Sajit Pullarkat, Administrator, Non-Trauma Hospital
Billy Meyer, RN, Rehabilitation Services	Erin Breen, Legislative/Advocacy

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Sean Dort, MD, St. Rose Siena Hospital	Chris Fisher, MD, Sunrise Hospital
Tressa Naik, MD, MAB Chairman	Shirley Breeden, Public Representative

**SNHD STAFF PRESENT**

John Hammond, EMSTS Manager	Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor
Michael Johnson, PhD, Director of Community Health	Chad Kingsley, Regional Trauma Coordinator
Scott Wagner, EMS Field Rep	Lei Zhang, Sr. Informatician
Annette Bradley, Attorney	Judy Tabat, Recording Secretary

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

Tony Greenway, Valley Health System	Kelly Stout, Bailey Kennedy
Carolyn Hafen, Spring Valley Hospital	Jennifer Kocis, Sunrise Hospital

**CALL TO ORDER – NOTICE OF POSTING**

The Regional Trauma Advisory Board (RTAB) convened in the Red Rock Trail Conference Room at the Southern Nevada Health District, located at 280 S. Decatur Boulevard, on June 7, 2018. Chairman Fildes called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m. and the Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Chairman Fildes 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 Fildes asked if anyone wished to address the Board pertaining to items listed on the Agenda. Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

## **II. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Fildes stated the Consent Agenda consisted of matters to be considered by the 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.

Chairman Fildes asked that Item B of the consent agenda that reads Minutes/Regional Trauma Advisory Board Meeting 04/18/2018 (for reference only) be removed.

Approve Minutes/Regional Trauma Advisory Board Meeting: 01/17/2018

Chairman Fildes asked for approval of the minutes from the January 17, 2018 meeting. A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Corrales and passed unanimously to approve the minutes.

## **III. CHIEF HEALTH OFFICE REPORT**

No report.

## **IV. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

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

Ms. Palmer reported that SNHD received an application from UMC for reauthorization as a Level I Trauma Center and Level II Pediatric Trauma Center. UMC has satisfied all requirements for reauthorization and is in good standing with SNHD.

A motion was made by Member Taylor to approve UMC's application for reauthorization as a Level I Trauma Center and Level II Pediatric Trauma Center. The motion was seconded by Member Dokken and passed unanimously.

Chairman Fildes abstained

### **B. Renewal of Authorization of St. Rose Siena Hospital as a Level III Trauma Center**

Ms. Palmer reported that SNHD received an application from St. Rose Siena Hospital for reauthorization as a Level III Trauma Center. St. Rose Siena Hospital has satisfied all requirements for reauthorization and is in good standing with SNHD.

A motion was made by Member Breen to approve St. Rose Siena's application for reauthorization as a Level III Trauma Center. The motion was seconded by Member Rogge and passed unanimously.

Member Dokken abstained

### **C. Possible Development of an EMS Protocol for Tranexamic Acid (TXA)**

Ms. Palmer stated there have been discussions about adding TXA to the paramedic formulary for the EMS agencies. She stated that the OEMSTS is seeking feedback from the RTAB to see if they are in support of moving in that direction. The discussion that this Board had back in April was that because of the short transport times, most of the trauma staff didn't feel it was a necessity expanding it into the ground unit inventory system. This topic was debated at the EMS meetings and they are expanding it for all the flight companies to use. Before authorizing TXA for ground crews, they will be pulling data to see how many calls have been affected.

Dr. Fildes felt that the MAB was left pretty settled on the idea that the window of administration was between 1 and 3 hours and that the efficacy of the drug is not improved by administering it earlier. For most patients they would arrive on time at a facility that could administer it. It

is administered not just for trauma but for obstetrical hemorrhages and hemorrhages caused by coagulopathic diseases like hemophilia. To that point several of the fixed and rotor wing companies do transport over long distances. He felt the MAB wisely selected a target population that would benefit from TXA.

D. Committee Report: Trauma System Advocacy Committee (TSAC) (2/13/2018)

Ms. Breen reported that the TSAC is meeting again and will bring forward some suggested language and potential sponsors to pursue a funding mechanism through state legislature in the 2019 session. She felt that they are going to pursue the same avenue as they did last session.

Dr. Fildes asked if there has been discussion about the role that all the acute care hospitals and trauma centers play in an organized trauma system that responds to the injured in disaster. He explained that part of the ask ought to recognize that a trauma system is not about trauma centers, it is about the organized relationships between all hospitals and that all hospitals respond to the injured in the case of a disaster.

Ms. Breen stated that she will look and see how that might be able to be crafted in the actual language.

Dr. Fildes stated that after legislation gave the authority for trauma systems and the EMS regulation to fall under Clark County, there has been a disconnect between the state legislature and the county. He added that there was talk about how the trauma center in Reno and the trauma center in Las Vegas could support all acute care hospitals and all critical access hospitals in a network of care for injured patients. There needs to be some financial underpinning to that sort of an effort and that sort of an effort is now amplified by recent disaster responses.

E. Committee Report: Southern Nevada Injury Prevention Partnership (SNIPP)

Mr. Corrales reported that the SNIPP committee has established membership and now have an active meeting. Unfortunately, their previous meeting was non-actionable so he will be able to provide a more formal report at the next RTAB.

F. Discussion of Goals and Objectives of the Southern Nevada Injury Prevention Partnership

Mr. Corrales reported that they will be reviewing the SNIPP bylaws to identify what their priorities and goals are for this committee.

G. Committee Report: Trauma Needs Assessment Taskforce (02/08/17)

Dr. Fildes stated that for more than a year a very hard-working group of individuals spent a lot of time to define a method and measures to assess need within the trauma system. He advised that the work is completed and referred to the three documents in their packets that includes the Data Dictionary, Needs Assessment Tool, and the Trauma Needs Assessment for the Boards consideration.

Chairman Fildes asked for a motion to approve the Data Dictionary, Needs Assessment Tool, and the Trauma Needs Assessment documents. Motion made by Member Royer, seconded by Member Breen and carried unanimously.

Dr. Fildes added that he would ask staff that when the minutes for this meeting are officially distributed to please include a copy of that document along with the Trauma System Plan and Trauma System Regulations so they can in advance begin to plan where that piece of work is going to be placed within the existing regulatory language.

H. Review/Discuss Final Recommendations from the Trauma Needs Assessment Taskforce Related to the Development of Standardized Measures for Assessing the Needs of the Trauma System

Discussed in Item G of the Agenda

I. Committee Report: RTAB Member Nominating Committee

Dr. Fildes stated that last week the RTAB Member Nominating Committee met to review the applications received and to make their recommendations to the RTAB. He then asked the SNHD staff to share their recommendations results of that meeting.

General Public – Carl Bottorf  
Health Education & Prevention Services – Cassandra Trummel  
Legislative Advocacy – Erin Breen  
Payers of Medical Benefits – Kelly Taylor  
Public Relations/Media – Danita Cohen

Chairman Fildes asked for a motion to approve the nominations made by the RTAB Member Nominating Committee. Member Simone made a motion to support those nominations. Seconded by Member Corrales and carried unanimously.

J. Trauma Field Triage Criteria Data Report

Ms. Palmer noted that these are the same numbers that were delivered to the group at the April meeting.

Dr. Fildes asked if there were any members of this Board that would like staff to re-review this data. He noted that there was no request and thanked Ms. Palmer.

K. Review/Discuss Out of Area Trauma Transports for 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017

Ms. Palmer reported that they were at 7% out of area (OOA) for 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017. She advised that they met with all the transport agencies and requested data on the OOA transports. Most of the transports that were OOA were closer in time versus catchment area or distance. There were a few instances of new EMS employees that needed to be re-educated on catchment areas. She stated that the numbers that they are seeing for the first quarter 2018 are reflecting the same and felt that until construction dies down this will continue.

V. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / DISCUSSION ONLY**

A. Report from Public Provider of Advanced Emergency Care

Mr. Simone stated that they participated in a MCI drill that was conducted at Shadow Ridge High School to test their preparedness and response to a critical incident. Dr. Fildes requested that in a future meeting they could get an overview report about the process and the outcome of the drill.

B. Report from Private Provider of Advanced Emergency Care

Mr. Corrales reported that private EMS just completed tactical EMS training so they could provide EMS embedded with Metro in case of a hostile MCI situation. He added the private EMS also participated in the Shadow Ridge High School exercise.

C. Report from General Public Representative

No report.

D. Report from Non-Trauma Center Hospital Representative

Mr. Pullarkat stated there were no items to report.

E. Report from Rehabilitation Representative

Mr. Meyer stated there were no items to report.

F. Report from Health Education & Injury Prevention Services Representative

No report.

G. Report from Legislative/Advocacy Representative

Ms. Breen stated that previously she had asked the Board if they would support the TSAC as an advocacy group to develop a position statement on education about firearm safety especially in homes with children. The decision that was made was to have Dr. Deborah Kuhls who is the injury prevention taskforce chair for the ACS Committee on Trauma address the TSAC and the RTAB. Just to keep it on the record she requested that they invite Dr. Kuhls to come and talk to this group as well as the TSAC on firearm safety.

Dr. Fildes agreed and suggested that Dr. Kuhls begin with the TSAC and then to bring more focused and more relevant local discussion to the RTAB.

H. Report from Public Relations/Media Representative

Ms. Cohen stated there were no items to report.

I. Report from Payer of Medical Benefits

Ms. Taylor stated there were no items to report.

J. Report from System Finance/Funding

Mr. Ellis stated there were no items to report.

Mr. Hammond introduced Chad Kingsley as the new Regional Trauma Coordinator. We will take the time to train him in the appropriate fashion but he will be your contact moving forward. Feel free to contact me or Laura as well because we are all working together to get him up to speed. He is looking forward to meeting you as well, one on one conversation, see how things are going.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussions of those comments, about matters relevant to the Committee's jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of this Agenda until the matter itself has been specifically include on an agenda as an item upon which may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Chairman Fildes asked if anyone wished to address the Board.

Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Fildes called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Member Breen, seconded by Member Simone and passed unanimously to adjourn at 2:56 p.m.