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**Regional Planning Committee  
Central Region (6) Trauma Advisory Board  
Integris Canadian Valley Hospital  
1201 Health Center Parkway  
Yukon, OK 73099  
November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 11:00 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

**I. Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order 11:00 a.m. by Chair Eddie Sims

**II. Roll Call**

Roll call attendance was taken with all RPC members present. Quorum was met. Sean Oats and Daniel Whipple were present from OSDH. Harrison Walter (Samaritan EMS) was a guest at this meeting.

**III. Introduction and Announcements**

Mr. Walter introduced himself.

**IV. Approval of Minutes – August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

A motion was made by Greg Reid to adopt the draft minutes. The motion was seconded by Celesa Green. The motion passed unanimously.

**V. Business**

**A. Planning for STEMI and Stroke triage and transport**

Eddie Sims stated that the Norman Regional Hospital stroke coordinator is willing to assist with the Regional Stroke Plan. Brad Smith, P.A. with Community Hospital in Region 8 has agreed to assist with the Region 6 Stroke Plan. Due to the commonality of destination facilities in both Region 6 and 8, we will contact Region 8 to establish a combined stroke working group. Eddie Sims volunteered to assist on the working group and stated a physician from Region 8 also expressed interest.

The Region 5 Stroke Plan was mentioned as it has components of hospital criteria, patient prioritization, and destination categories.

A hospital and EMS agency in Oklahoma created paper pads that use the Miami Emergency Neurologic Deficit (MEND) assessment. There was a brief discussion on using the MEND survey also or creating a similar tool.

Greg Reid mentioned the idea of an OSDH-sponsored smart device program that would be able to assist in prioritizing stroke patients and choosing an appropriate destination facility. The cost of creating this application was discussed and how a university student may be able to create one as a project or thesis.

There was discussion of a possible update to EMResource to include sections for stroke and STEMI care.

Comments about the stroke registry were heard. Some concerns included

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that it was mandated by law, but the database has not yet been created. Also, the stroke registry may require hospitals to hire more staff in order to meet the mandated requirements. It was mentioned that a possible funding source could be the tobacco endowment fund.

The topic of transporting a stroke patient to the nearest hospital that could administer tPA was discussed. Whereas trauma patients need immediate transport to definitive care to decrease morbidity and mortality, stroke patients benefit from stopping at the closest facility that can administer tPA. The patient can then be transported to definitive care. It was discussed whether the stroke protocol or Regional Stroke Plan should include language that requires the original transporting agency to remain at the original destination so that the patient can be transferred to definitive care after imaging/drug administration without response delays.

A question was raised about regional STEMI plans around the state. At this time, it is believed that no region is working on a STEMI plan.

**B. Vote to approve amended Regional Trauma Plan**

The Region 6 Trauma Plan had amendments made to remove the Norman Regional Hospital Healthplex and Moore campuses as destinations for Priority II trauma patients. A rotor-wing asset was added as being based in the Region, and an additional rotor-wing aircraft was added outside the region. Page numbers were also added to each page. A motion to accept the changes was made by Celesa Green and seconded by Valerie Austin. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

**VI. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**VII. Next Meetings**

**A. OTERAC**

December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 – 1:00 p.m.  
Metro Technology Center  
Oklahoma City, OK

**B. RPC**

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.  
Gordon Cooper Technology Center  
Shawnee, OK

**C. RTAB**

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – 1:30 p.m.  
Gordon Cooper Technology Center  
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**VIII. Adjournment**

Greg Reid made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Celesa Green. The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.