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**Stroke Committee**

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at CTCOG**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendance – Designated**

AHCT – Enid Cooke

BSW Temple – Penelope McCabe

SMCHH – Kristina Gwin

**Attendance – All Other**

Amber Attaway, Coryell Health System

Cole Camacho, Hamilton County EMS

**Staff**

Christine Reeves, Director

1. **Call to Order and Introductions** – Ms. McCabe, Chair, called the meeting to order at 0833.
2. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** – Ms. Cooke motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Camacho seconded the motion. The motion was carried, without objection.
3. **Emergency Healthcare System Items** – Ms. Reeves noted that this agenda item was changed to “Items” instead of “Issues”. This decision was based on feedback that historically this space was negative. This item is for anyone to talk about our Emergency Health System as a hold, not against a particular entity or process.
4. **Action and/or Discussion on the following items:**
	1. **GETAC Stroke Committee Priorities** – Ms. Reeves reported that the committee continued discussion on the items below; unless something changes then the Central Texas RAC has not action at this time.
		1. Statewide Stroke Level Naming Convention
		2. ASA Prehospital Stroke Algorithm
		3. Pediatric Strokes
	2. **TNKase vs. Alteplase** (as needed) – Ms. Gwin noted that Seton went to TNKase on June 13th. Ms. Cooke noted that there were discussions occurring at the AdventHealth corporate level on this issue. Ms. McCabe reported that BSW was whispering about it again but she didn’t think any changes would happed until 2024.
	3. **Stroke Designation – Level II Rule Status** – Ms. Reeves reported that the GETAC Stroke Committee provided sample language to DSHS. It is in the rule making machine currently. It should be ready for use by 9/1/2023.
	4. **Performance Improvement**
		1. RAC Data Collaborative & GWTG – Ms. Reeves showed the committee the dashboards for stroke. At this time, only two facilities were being downloaded. She noted that all facilities except CRDAMC and AdventHealth Rollins Brook were participating in GWTG. Ms. Cooke stated she could check into Rollins Brook since most of their patients would come to Killeen.
		2. Pediatric Stroke Discussion – The group had some discussion on this item because there was recently a pediatric stroke in the Region. BSW – Temple & McLane Childrens will be presenting at the next Medical Advisory Committee meeting. Very excited to have Dr. Kendra Wheeler from the PICU at McLane Childrens active with the RAC.
		3. EMS CE-Stroke Case Reviews – Ms. McCabe gave a brief report on the recent EMS CE that BSW – Temple Stroke Program did with the RAC. It was held on the Tuesday of EMS Week. There was a morning and afternoon session. The attendance was fair given the short notice of the education. There is a hope to do something at least twice a year if not quarterly. Ms. McCabe told the other facilities that if they had a good case to review for EMS that would be great.
	5. **RAC Rule, Criterion, and Assessment Review & Discussion** – The committee has completed its scoring. While the rules still need to be passed and the Board sets up an implementation plan, the committee can begin to work through some of the items that will need an action plan written from the stroke viewpoint.
	6. **Central Texas Outreach & Prevention Collaboration Update –** McCabe provided an update on some changes with how the RAC will drive its outreach and prevention. She said that Ms. Reeves is attempting to put together a large group of entities that catered to the same population or even do the same or similar campaigns. The attempt is to stretch the monies that are received for outreach. “Bigger bang of a buck”
	7. **Designation/Survey Updates** – None were noted.
5. **Open Forum –** There was a discussion about when this committee wanted to meet. Perinatal and Cardiac will be meeting outside of the normal quarterlies so the morning is very open now. Also, Trauma has not met on the quarterlies day at all this year. The committee decided to meet on the quarterly meeting days from 0900-1100.
6. **Next Meeting** – December 5, 2023
7. **Adjourn** - 1042

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 Ms. Penelope McCabe, Chair