

Region III Regional Trauma Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
December 1st, 2022 at 1500hrs
Location- online via zoom

Executive Board

Elizabeth R. Benjamin MD, PhD- Chair- Grady Memorial
Alexis Smith MD- Vice Chair- Scottish Rite
Erin Moorcones, RN- Secretary- Grady Memorial

RTAC Coordinator

Danielle Johnson- Wellstar Kennestone

Present:

Elizabeth R. Benjamin- Chair- Grady Memorial
Alexis Smith- Vice Chair- Scottish Rite
Erin Moorcones- Grady Memorial
Gina Solomon- GTC
Sarah Parker- Grady Memorial
Eric Kidd- Air Evac
Moe Schmid- CHOA Eggleston
Kyle Thomas- Wellstar Kennestone
Nadirah Burgess- Northside Gwinnett
Sarah Holcombe- Northside Gwinnett
Dewayne Campbell- Cobb County Fire
Zach Botkin- Clayton County Fire
Sharon Grason- Northside Gwinnett
Gary Menard- Decatur Fire
Richard Elliot- Clayton County Fire
Suzanne Edwards- CHOA SR
Stephen Goux- CHOA
Mark Peters- Northside Gwinnett
Madeline Parks- Grady
Lee Oliver- Metro EMS
Laura Johnson- Grady Memorial
Bills Briggs- Wellstar NF

Barry Renz- Wellstar Cobb
Julie Freeman- Wellstar Kennestone
Jason Lanyon- Wellstar North Fulton
Stanley McDaniel-Region 3
Ruth Hwu- CHOA Peds Emory
Carey Lamphier- Grady Memorial
Steve Elmgren- Grady memorial
Ashley Steele- Grady memorial
Robin Garza- Grady Memorial
Matt Thornton- Grady EMS
Cristina Ucci- Wellstar Kennestone
Jamie VanNess- Wellstar Kennestone
Winston Charles - Wellstar Cobb
Naila Avery- Northside Gwinnett
Kellie Rowker- CHOA Scottish Rite
Mark Shirley- Region 3 OEMS
Lawrence Blair- Grady
EJ Daily- Regional Director OEMS
Samantha Buchanan- Grady Memorial
Cristina Soto-Olvera- Grady Memorial
Jeff Nicholas- Northside Gwinnett

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- I. Call to order- 1501
 - II. Approval of May 2022 Region 3 RTAC Meeting
 - a. Motion to approve Eric Kidd, second by mark Peters
 - b. Approved unanimously
 - III. Greetings and New Introductions
 - a. Danielle Johnson (Wellstar Kennestone), new appointed Region 3 RTAC coordinator
 - IV. Financial Report- \$25,375.78 in the Region 3 RTAC budget at this time.
 - V. EMS Council Update- provided by EJ Daily
 - a. Region 3 EMS Council met 11/10/22 at 10AM (Hybrid and In person)- great attendance both in person and online.

- i. No committee reports as they had not met. The Nominating Committee will be meeting to come up with potential candidates to be discussed at the February meeting. They assume appointments to the council in August 2023. Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and parliamentarian are up for new appointments.
- ii. Medical Advisory Council- Dr. Yancey provided extensive report. Looking to evaluate scope of practice for EMS in comparison with national standards and see if anything needs to be re-evaluated.
- iii. Region 3 and Region D are providing a large amount of education in the next few months. All classes are listed on the website. ABLS classes the week of December 5th still have space.
- iv. Old Business- S. Fulton service delivery ad hoc committee to resume evaluation of services provided there and opportunities to improve.
- v. Goal to expand the Regional advisory Committee's.
 - 1. Education and Training Committee- chaired by Tom Bates
 - 2. Regional Trauma Advisory Council- Dr. Benjamin
 - 3. OEMSC- chaired by Patrick Flaghtery

VI. Georgia Trauma Commission Update- Liz Atkins

- a. November Commission meeting was a rural focused meeting. In October 2022 colleagues from Pennsylvania Trauma System Foundation did consultative visits for 5 level 4 centers in GA due to there not being a formal ACS path for this level of centers. The hope is Region 3 trauma centers can support the development of these level 4's.
- b. Partnering with the Attorney general's office to hopefully establish peer protected confidential case reviews within the region and state.
- c. Next big initiative is the Trauma System Consultative visit (last one was 2009) for the State of GA by the ACS> Additionally they are having a rural focused review. The visit will occur Jan 9-11th and many people from Region 3 may be asked to participate. Jan 9-10th will be held in Cordele (Lake Blackshear Resort) and Jan 11th will be held in Cartersville. This should allow more access for the rural centers.
- d. Next meeting is at Chateau Elan on March 1st, all meeting information is posted on the GTC website.

VII. GQIP update- Gina Solomon

- a. Arbor Metric project has been working since 9/27 and the state is working through barriers to make it more useful. Goal is second quarter of 2023 to have reliable data and metrics that are useful. Working to establish standards to feed the data back to the trauma centers to be useful and improve practice. Please reach out to Gina for any other questions. Example- time to definitive care.

VIII. Projects:

- a. Region 3 blood drive- Dr. Benjamin
 - i. All host sites met their goals, inpatient providers won the challenge. Plan to repeat the initiative next year.

IX. New Business

- a. Region 3 Trauma Plan- Elizabeth Benjamin, MD.
 - i. We are going to revitalize to get this trauma plan completed and submitted as per the bylaws. The goal is to have a formal plan by our next meeting. That being said anyone who would like to volunteer for a section, please reach out to Danielle Johnson and let her know. The expectation is to have the sub-committee's meet prior to the in person meeting at Grady on Jan 18th from 10-

2pm. At the in person meeting we will consolidate and review the sections and have a formal draft by the end.

- b. Research- Look at first quarter impact of AMC closure
- X. Trauma Case Review- Dr. Benjamin and Dr. Smith presented a pediatric trauma case that started at Grady and then the patient was transferred for continuation of trauma care to CHOA Eggleston. Both centers identified potential opportunities for improvement, but also highlighted areas of strength and collaboration.
- XI. Adjournment- 1602

Next meeting February 2023, Date TBD.