



**MINUTES**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM**

**DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

**REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY BOARD (RTAB)**

**October 16, 2024 - 1:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chris Fisher, MD, Chair, Sunrise Hospital  
Lisa Rogge, RN, University Medical Center  
John Recicar, RN, MOMMC  
Georgi Collins, Sunrise Hospital  
Ashley Tolar, RN, St. Rose Siena Hospital  
Yvonne Ramos, Health Education  
Alexis Mussi, Administrator, Non-Trauma  
Maya Holmes, Payers of Medical Benefits  
Erin Breen, Legislative/Advocacy

Deborah Kuhls, MD, University Medical Center  
Col Keith Berry, MD, MOMMC  
Chris Giunchigliani, General Public  
Sean Dort, MD, St. Rose Siena Hospital  
Danita Cohen, Public Relations/Advocacy  
Michael Holtz, MD, MAB Chairman  
Amy Henley, Rehabilitation Services  
Sam Scheller, Private EMS Provider  
Frank Simone, Paramedic, Public EMS Provider

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jessica Colvin, System Finance

**SNHD STAFF PRESENT**

Christian Young, MD, EMSTS Medical Director  
John Hammond, EMS Manager  
Stacy Johnson, EMSTS Regional Trauma Coordinator  
Andria Cordovez Mulet, SNHD Executive Asst  
Jacques Graham, SNHD Administrative Secretary

Edward Wynder, SNHD, Associate General Counsel  
Fermin Leguen, MD, SNHD Health Officer  
Nicole Charlton, Recording Secretary  
Cassius Lockett, Deputy District Health Officer

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

Jen Bertolani, Sunrise Hospital  
Nadine Kienhoefer  
Dan Shinn, Sunrise Hospital  
Stacie Sasso, HSC

Linda Anderson  
Shana Tello  
Nick Fiore

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The Regional Trauma Advisory Board (RTAB) was called to order by Chair Fisher at 1:32pm. The Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Roll call was administered by SNHD staff member Nicole Charlton and she noted that quorum was met.

**II. DIRECTIONS FOR PUBLIC ACCESS TO MEETINGS:**

Directions were read out loud as follows: Members of the public may attend and participate in the RTAB meeting over the telephone by calling (702) 907-7151 and entering access code 815693579#. To provide public comment over the telephone, please press \*3 during the comment period and wait to be called on.

**III. FIRST 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 Fisher opened public comment; with no person requesting to make a comment, either in person or online, he moved to the next agenda item.

**IV. ADOPTION OF THE OCTOBER 16, 2024 AGENDA:**

Chairman Fisher asked for approval of the agenda from the October 16, 2024 meeting. A motion was made by Member Giunchigliani, seconded by Member Kuhls and passed by majority vote to approve the agenda

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Fisher 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.

Approve Minutes/Regional Trauma Advisory Board Meetings: 4/17/2024 & 7/25/2024.

Chairman Fisher asked for approval of the revised minutes from the April 17, 2024 & July 25, 2024 meetings. After a couple grammatical corrections noted by members, Member Holmes made the motion to approve the revised minutes. Seconded by Member Kuhls and passed by majority vote to approve the revised minutes.

**VI. DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICER REPORT: Dr. Fermin Leguen**

Dr. Leguen advised of a new resource that was available to the community. The Strip Club is a new data dashboard and test strip mail-order program that is part of the efforts of the Health District to provide harm reduction resources and education to the community. The mail-order program offers free fentanyl and xylazine test strips that

are mailed to valid Clark County addresses; any residence of this community who is in need of the test strips may submit a request through the Health District's website. The test strips also include easy to follow instructions that will detect fentanyl and xylazine in products. Further, the dashboard provides members of the community with information regarding overdose rates and maps that show the areas of high incidents of overdose in the community. The maps will also show the results of the drug checking program across the community.

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

### **A. Discussion of possible support statement for Legislative issues regarding Traffic Safety.**

Member Breen brought forward two traffic safety legislation coming in the 2025 session.

#### **1. Discussion on Language Update to Current DUI Laws:**

##### **a. Proposed Changes:**

- i. Removal of the current requirement for an alcohol assessment tied to a Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) of 0.18. The stipulation of 0.18 would be eliminated.
  - ii. Expansion of the 24/7 Sober Program to amend language surrounding the use of a restricted driver's license.
- b. Board members reviewed and discussed the proposed changes. Several questions were raised regarding the modifications, specifically related to funding and the changes to the 24/7 Sober Program.
- c. Member Breen will gather additional information and clarification on the raised concerns and bring those findings to the next meeting for further discussion or action.

#### **2. Discussion on proposed changes to Safety Cameras Use:**

Under current Nevada law, the use of photographs, as evidence, for any type of enforcement purposes is prohibited unless the camera was mounted on a police building, vehicle, or one that was being held by law enforcement officer.

##### **a. Proposed changes:**

- i. The proposed changes aim to repeal this prohibition, allowing each entity the option to participate in the use of safety cameras.
  - ii. Entities that opt in would have the flexibility to participate in one or more programs including,
    - Red light running enforcement
    - Speed enforcement
    - Enforcement of passing school buses with the stop arm extended.
  - iii. Signage would be required to notify the public about the use of recording devices in these areas.
  - iv. Revenue generated from citations could be reinvested into the program for the purchase of additional equipment.
- b. Board members engaged in a discussion about the potential impact of these changes, including concerns about implementation and funding allocation.
- c. Chairman Fisher tabled the discussion until the January meeting for further consideration.

3. Discussion on Requiring Bright Yellow Vests for Two-Wheel Riders:
  - a. Discussion was made to require individuals on two-wheeled vehicles (bicycles, scooters, motorcycles, etc) to wear bright yellow vests while riding to improve visibility and safety.
  - b. Chairman Fisher expressed that it may be more feasible to implement this requirement for bicycle riders rather than motorcycle riders, indicating that compliance might be easier to achieve among cyclists
  - c. Further discussion or action on the suggestion will be considered at a later time.
  
4. Discussion on Primary Seatbelt Law:
  - a. Member Kuhls expressed strong support for the Primary Seatbelt Bill and requested that the Board formally support the bill.
  - b. No additional discussion was made on this matter.
  - c. Member Kuhls made a motion to support an attempt to pass legislation requiring primary seatbelts. Seconded by Member Giunchigliani. Motion passed.

#### **VIII. REGIONAL TRAUMA COORDINATOR REPORT**

- A. Mrs. Johnson stated there was no bypass report at this time.
- B. Mrs. Johnson also informed the RTAB members that the Sunrises Hospital Level I Trauma application would be on the November 21 Board of Health agenda.

#### **IX. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / DISCUSSION ONLY**

- A. Report from Public Provider of Advanced Emergency Care  
Frank Simone was not on the call; therefore no report was given.
- B. Report from Private Provider of Advanced Emergency Care  
Sam Scheller advised that GEMS they sent (4) ambulances to Florida to support the hurricane efforts.
- C. Report from General Public Representative  
Chris Giunchigliani stated there were no items to report.
- D. Report from Non-Trauma Center Hospital Representative  
Alexis Mussi stated there were no items to report.
- E. Report from Rehabilitation Representative  
Amy Henley stated there were no items to report.
- F. Report from Health Education & Injury Prevention Services Representative  
Yvonne Ramos stated there are several things going on in the county.
  1. Halloween SafeTacular – Saturday, 10/26 from 10am-1pm at the Clark County Amphitheater. Along with trick or treating there will be pedestrian/bicycle safety education, booster seat giveaways, and other trauma prevention & health & wellness education.
  2. Dusk til Dawn campaign – Friday, 11/1 is the kickoff. This is a pedestrian safety initiative that aims to raise awareness of pedestrian fatalities that occur in the hours of darkness. There will be a press conference at 10am and that evening will be a

pedestrian safety outreach event at the First Friday location. They will be distributing reflective materials to the pedestrians attending First Friday.

3. Community and Parent Firearms Safety Course – 11/5 from 2-4:30pm. Nevada Office of Suicide Prevention at the Healthy Living Institute will be teaching attendees about Nevada law surrounding firearms, the importance of having conversations about firearms safety, secure storage, and there are CEUs available as well.
  - a. On 11/14 from 4-6pm, SNHD will be conducting it's After Dark Lecture Series. The topic will be gun violence as a public health issue.
4. World Day of Remembrance – Sunday, 11/17 from 1-5:30pm at Silverado Ranch Community Center. This is in honor of those that have lost their lives or have been impacted by roadway crashes and to raise awareness and advocate for improving roadway safety.
5. Safe Siena Events – Boulevard Mall 11am-2pm in December. Families can take photos with Santa and there will be a raffle to win bicycles/scooters.
6. Enforcement will be present during Turkey in the Crosswalk on 11/21 & Santa in the crosswalk on 11/18. Citations will be given for those drivers who do not yield the right of way for pedestrians.

G. Report from Legislative/Advocacy Representative

Erin Breen stated there were no items to report.

H. Report from Public Relations/Media Representative

Danita Cohen stated there were no items to report.

I. Report from Payer of Medical Benefits

Maya Holmes stated there were no items to report.

J. Report from System Finance/Funding

Jessica Colvin was not on the call; therefore no report was given.

**X. 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 Fisher asked if anyone wished to address the Board.

No other persons appearing for public comment, or online, Chairman Fisher moved to adjournment.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Fisher adjourned the meeting at 2:36 pm.