



**MINNESOTA METROPOLITAN REGIONAL
TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA**

Metropolitan Emergency Services Board
2099 University Ave West, St Paul
February 26, 2026 7:00 a.m.

1. **Call to Order** – Committee Chair, Dr. Jonathan Gipson
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Approval of Agenda** – Dr. Gipson
4. **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (Page 2)** – Dr. Gipson
5. **Discussion Items**
 - a) STAC/ RTAC Update (**Page 5**)
 - b) Peds Workgroup
 - c) Geriatric Workgroup
 - d) Replantation Agreement
 - e) TQUIP Collaboration
 - f) MDH Grant
 - g) Web Site Update- <https://emsmn.org/mmrtac/>
 - h) Stop The Bleed
 - i. Training- Stop the Bleed Week at the MMRTAC hospitals- Kaytlin H-Hennepin
 - ii. Legislative
6. **Adjourn**

Next Meeting: May 28, 2026

Future Meeting Dates

May 28, 2026

August 27, 2026

November 19, 2026

**Minnesota Metropolitan Regional Trauma Advisory
Committee MMRTAC
November 20, 2025**

Attendance

Amanda Anderson, Alison Adams, Alyx Bystrom, Rachelle Damle, Jennifer Deisler, Scott Edgeworth, Tom Edminson, Maria, Flor, Tammy Gallagher, Jon Gipson, Mallory Haas, Nathan Kreykes, Uroghupatei Iyegha, Teri Herman, Mary Kay Kaiser, Karen McLean, Nancy Nyberg, Shannon Onlen, Lisa Pearson, Laura Plasencia, Melanie Smalley, Anne Snuggerud, Joey Smith, Cori Sybrant, Tanda Tayakley, Colleen Wood

Others Present

Greg Hayes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Roll call occurred by Dr Gipson.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Dr Gipson, seconded by [inaudible] to approve the November 2025 MMRTAC meeting agenda. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Sybrant, seconded by Gipson to approve the May 2025 MMRTAC meeting minutes. Motion carried.

5. TXA 2gm bolus update

Updates by Hennepin- 65% of the doses given were 2g, IV access. No adverse actions. The whole blood in the field by EMS a new QI project will be developed. Now position statement regarding TXA with the 2g bolus option. Henneping EMS has used whole blood 12 times. Update given by Greg on current use within EMS and some of how agencies are adjusting based on proximity to a trauma center.

6. Whole blood in Peds- Item brought up by North to open the discussion. Masonic has been utilizing it for cardiac. Hennepin will be utilized in the future. Mayo is utilizing whole blood for peds. Regions is not currently utilized in peds but looking at the issue.

7. Replantation Agreement

North gave a brief overview of the agreement and that it is time for an update.

8. TQUIP Presentation

Jon Gipson gave a presentation on the MMRTAC TQIP Collaborative. The presentation was a review of the Best Practice Guidelines. The ask is for the MMRTAC group to create a poster for the next TQUIP conference on November 13, 2026, in Anaheim, CA. Discussion by the group are ideas for projects. A workgroup is proposed made up of the MMRTAC group.

6. Action Items – None

7. Discussion Items

A. STAC Update

Next meeting December 9th in Shoreview.

Review of the public comments regarding the proposed Level 3's & 4's criteria and implementation plan.

Recognize the 20-year anniversary as a state trauma system.

B. Peds Workgroup

No updates.

C. Geriatric Workgroup

Creating a document on c-spine fractures looking at care. The goal is to have a document for the next meeting.

D. MDH Grant

Proposal to do a cadaver course related to the TQUIP

E. Website Update

Website was updated with no major changes to the site since the last update. The link can be found under the MMRTAC dropdown header.

F. Stop the Bleed

i. Training

Review of the data submitted to the MMRTAC survey. Year to Date, 19 classes with approximately 340 participants.

ii. Legislative

No discussion

8. State Fair Update

Greg gave an update to the state fair participation. The event was very successful with over 350 tourniquets given. Additional will be ordered for next year.

Other Business

A review some key points from the Annunciation shooting regarding notification, EMS response, patient tracking, and coordination to help generate thoughts for future quality improvement if needed as it relates to the MMRTAC initiatives.

9. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 a.m.

RTAC Leadership Meeting Minutes

DATE: JANUARY 20, 2026

MINUTES PREPARED BY: MARIA FLOR

LOCATION: VIRUTAL

Attendance

- Marion Larson, CENTRAC
- Ann Jenson, SWRTAC
- Sara Stolt, CENTRAC
- Linda Vogel, NERTAC
- Maria Flor, MDH Staff
- Tim Held, MDH Staff
- Emma Distel, MDH Staff

Agenda

Welcome/Introductions

RTAC Updates

Share successes, challenges, activities

Rib Fracture PMG discussion

MN State Trauma System- MDH Updates- Maria

New Criteria updates- New Level 4 RTAC engagement

Trauma System Education

RTAC Grant updates- Emma

Roundtable

Next meeting

Date: April 21, 2026

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Virtually via TEAMS

Agenda items: Needle Decompression data

Meeting notes

RTAC Updates:

CENTRAC- Auto launch protocol reviewed and updated. Marion taking to EMS agencies. (Maria to update copy to website.) Marion working with counties to update their policies. Good process over 3 meetings (most of 2025). Needle decompression brief discussion- can do better (Pre-hospital). Regional EMS medical director using this as opportunity for improvement.

MMRTAC-

NERTAC- prepping for Arrowhead EMS Conference this week, NERTAC vendor booth- RTAC handout and map with RTACs. Grant money was used for Stop the Bleed kits, Helmets for ATVs. Noted increase in ATV crashes in region. Case Reviews for PI learning. Rotate location of meetings- works well for this region. Helps with engagement. (usually about 12 in person) Needle decompression discussed- recent focus and educational topic. Increased awareness. Continued transport issues, longer LOS at Level 3/Level 4.

SMRTAC-

SWRTAC- Needle decompression discussion- not much observed. Carter kits (Autism) will be shared, Radio reports and new trauma protocols on the agenda. Air Transport lunch and learn planned for May. Still looking for chair. (Ann and Maria to seek out new chair and directly ask) (Josh Chan is also a great resource for autism education, kits, etc.)

WESTAC- *Submitted by Deb via email.* Nothing much new with WESTAC. Looking forward to the hospital data reports. Dr. Bekah Devasahayam did receive the Federal SS4A grant through the FM Council of Governments - for the "Blood Deserts Project"!

Needle Decompression Data- Maria to connect with Sarah to run some Trauma/EMS data and bring back to this group.

Rib fx. PMG discussion- CentraCare has PMG, SMRTAC and WESTAC have Rib Fx. PMG- under review/revision, some prioritize rib plating criteria

Whether RTAC publishes/owns PMG or points to referral center PMGs is fine.

MDH updates

Trauma system- education updates. Level 3 and Level 4 Criteria Review sessions being held in Jan and Feb. STAC did add RTAC engagement criteria to Level 4 trauma hospitals.

Inform the content for the Minnesota Rural Ambulance Revenue Cycle and Billing Training.

1. Attend 1 of 3 virtual town halls hosted by NAAC. Town halls are scheduled for [Tuesday 2/3 from 11-12](#), [Tuesday 2/3 from 7-8](#), [Wednesday 2/4 from 12 – 1](#)
2. Complete a [short survey](#) and receive a link to register for the training
3. Pick up an informational 3X5 card at the OEMS or EMS|MC booth this week at the Arrowhead meeting!

RTAC LEADERSHIP

Emma shared the flex grant update. See attached slides. Financial Reconciliation and one grant monitoring assessment per grant cycle. Let Emma and Maria know of any changes.



Flex grant Kickoff
Webinar 2026.pdf

Marion to chair this group for 2026. (Thank you for volunteering)