Metropolitan Emergency Services Board

Minnesota Metropolitan Regional
Trauma Advisory Committee
August 27, 2026
Draft Meeting Minutes

Members:

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Tanda Tavakley
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Karen Lam
Kristen Dubiski
Rachel Payne
Sarah Ralleigh
Robin Trubeck

Guests: None

MESB Staff: Greg Hayes

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m by MMRTAC Palei.

2. Roll Call
Roll call occurred.

3. Approval of Agenda
Motion made by Dr Lick seconded by Dr Hessler to approve the August 2026 MMRTAC meeting agenda. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
Changes to the prior meetings minutes will be made to ensure an accurate reflection of the attendance.

Motion made by Dr Kraks, seconded by Dr Lick to approve the November 2026 MMRTAC meeting minutes with the mentioned changes. Motion carried.

5. Discussion Items
a. STAC/RTAC
Maria gave an update on the stack. 5 STAC seats will be open for those interested. The posting for the positions should be in mid-October on the Secretary of State website. The next meeting is September 15, 2026. A review of the RTAC report from the agenda.

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b. TQIP Collaboration
Nothing to update. The group will review some of the data after the meeting.

c. Geriatric Workgroup
The workgroup is at a pause.

d. PEDS Workgroup
The peds group met. Working on a musculoskeletal resource. The hope is to bring it to the next meeting as a draft. Will work on the other area for update. Finally, adding a TQUIP collaborative tie to the Peds.

e. Trauma/ECMO
Discussion on the next level of the process for inpatient/ ICU as not all patients coming through the ED. Partner at the beginning when it comes to ongoing surgical needs. Dr. Simpson (HCMC) gave a perspective and concerns on triage and how it can impact trauma care. Discussion on the original concern brought up to the group and how the new trauma/ECMO procedure. Suggestion on having a subgroup to look at issues when they arise so the MMRTAC committee can stay ahead of potential issues.

f. Ophthalmology Update
A short discussion on how other agencies are handling these patients as it is a rare occurrence and a limited number of retinal specialists.

g. MDH Grant
MDH awarded the MMRTAC $8,000 in grant funds to be used towards tourniquets. The tourniquets have been ordered in preparation for the state fair and other Stop the Bleed events. Reach out to Hayes if tourniquets are needed.

h. Website Update
Some updates and fixes to the website were noted. If issues are found, please let Greg Hayes know for correction. An update of the meeting invite and an issue with the Microsoft scheduler was discussed. A new meeting schedule for the 2027 dates will be out soon.

i. Stop the Bleed
i. Training
Stop the Bleed training continues across the metro. Please continue to track the courses and number of participants taught. Stop the Bleed week with MMRTAC hospitals was discussed.

ii. Rib Fracture
Update on the Rib Fracture protocol with the additions marked in red and discussed. Further discussion on specific items related to pain management tactics. Suggestion on adding language for imaging on number 5.

Bylaws & Chair Election
Greg gave an update on the by-laws, membership and a Chair and Vice chair election which needs to happen in November for the next 2 years. Send Greg your nominations.

6. Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 a.m.