

**BIG COUNTRY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING  
1/19/2022**

See attached sign in sheet for attendance

Called to order at 1:00pm

Minutes of the October 20, 2021 meeting approved as posted on website on motion by Jason Gruben; second by Chase Jarvis; all in favor, none opposed.

Financial Review –

EMS/RAC	\$ 42,565.54
EMS County	\$ 101,598.16
Tobacco	\$ 64,571.39
Dues Account	\$ 9,242.27

Grant Review

EMS County –FY2021 funds are being disbursed as invoices and proof of payment are received. Due date to submit proof of payment and invoices is 3/31/2022. After that date, disbursements will be made for injury prevention and education for the benefit of the RAC.

EMS RAC – These funds are used for administrative purposes.

Tobacco – Injury Prevention/Education reimbursement is scheduled to be mailed beginning early April. Injury prevention and education receipts will be accepted until March 31, 2022. After March 31, 2022 the # of participants will equally be reimbursed for qualifying expenditures up to an equal amount. As always, it is encouraged to send in invoices and proof of payment in an amount over \$2800. Expenditure dates are 9/1/2021 – 3/31/2022. Disbursements will be made to services that have complied with attendance, PI & completion of required documents including the payment of dues.

The Wristband Project is being implemented though out the state. RAC D will begin disbursing wristbands during the April meeting with the intend that all EMS agencies will begin using the wristbands by July. The Wristbands will be a revolving expense that should be calculated in yearly budgets.

*Reminder: The BCRAC has the following items available to members: Rescue Me tags, thermometers, file of life magnets, STEMI/Stroke magnets, fire extinguishers, CO monitors, night lights, grabbers, non-slip socks, child ID kits, STB kits*

Motion by Jonathan Galinak to accept the financial report and grant review; second by David Allman; all in favor, none opposed.

Bylaw Review – nothing to report

Committee Review

STEMI – STEMI Plan was approved and will be posted

Stoke – Dr. Russell presented information to the general assembly regarding the new Neurology and Tele Neuro/Cardiac capability available. He addressed the ability of Hendrick Medical Center of Brownwood to provide for Stroke patients. Fibrolytics emphasized for use as soon as possible and transfer to the appropriate level of care. Be aware of the lack of 24/7 Neurology at Hendricks. VAN Score tool usage encouraged. Scurry County addressed the difficulty in transferring once the patient is in a rural facility. Parkland and Medical City are Stroke Centers as well. Comprehensive Stroke center list on DSHS and they are the appropriate level for large vessel occlusion.

PI – Will be continued requirement for submission of PI reporting reiterated that PI being tied to compliance

Hospital – Hospital continued designation requirements and multiple changes that are being implemented

Budget/Finance – Finance approved no new actions

Injury Prevention/Education – Approved above mentioned disbursements for Injury Prevention and Education

Motion by Marta Pagura to accept the committee review; second by Jonathan Galinak; all in favor, none opposed.

Open Forum – Grant Madden retirement and the transition of Russel as the Vice Chair progressing to the Chair position. CMS information about the vaccine mandates provided to general membership. Completed needs assessment, dues and yearly application process to remain eligible for RAC funds and reimbursements Requirements reviewed to be able to receive funds from Development Funds. Review of the needs assessments and the work that continues to be developed at the state level including the self-assessment tool to adjust gaps

Motion by Chase Jarvis to adjourn; second by Jonathan Galinak; all in favor, none opposed

Meeting adjourned at 1:36

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Lebowitz, Secretary  
Big County Regional Advisory Council

1/12/2022

Provider	Member Name	Attendance
Abilene Fire Department	Aaron Maxwell	Present
Abilene Fire Department FRO	Justin Ray	Present
Abilene Taylor County Health Dept	Stephanie Lebowitz	Present
Air Evac Lifeteam 63	Marta Pagura	Present
Air Evac Lifeteam Eastland	Absent	absent
Anson General Hospital	Anna Doan	absent
Citizens Emergency Medical Service, Inc.	Kellie Batangan	Present
Coleman County Medical Center	Chancy Pickett	Present
Comanche County EMS	Esmeralda Cumba	Present
Comanche County Medical Center	Kimberly Boyd, RN	Present
CROSS PLAINS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE	Delany Golson	Present
Dublin EMS	John Tadlock	Present
Eastland Memorial Hospital	Absent	absent
Eastland Memorial Hospital EMS	Gene Wright	Present
Eula VFD	Jonathan Roy Galinak	Present
Fisher County Hospital	TAMMY HAMILTON	Present
Fisher County Hospital District EMS	Chase Jarvis	Present
Hamlin EMS	Samantha Trevillian	Present
Haskell County Ambulance Service, Inc.	Kara Pierce	Present
Haskell Memorial Hospital	Absent	absent
Hendrick Medical Center Brownwood	Lexie Feist RN	Present
Hendrick Medical Center South	Sarah Alvarez	Present
Hendrick Medical Center North	April Songer	Present
Jim Ned Volunteer Fire Department	Tim Brannon	Present
Knox County EMS	Logan Morrow	Present
Knox County Hospital District	Sheila Kuehler	Present
Lifeguard Ambulance Service - Brownwood	Absent	absent
MetroCare Services, Abilene-LP	James Bryant	absent
MITCHELL COUNTY EMS	Jason Gruben	Present
Mitchell County Hospital	Kimberly Jaramillo	Present
Native Air	Steven Hobbs	absent
North Runnels Hospital EMS	Jimmy Frazier	absent
Potosi VFD	Tim Brannon	Present
Ranger Fd-Ems	Darrell Fox	Present
Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital	LeAnn Monday	absent
Scurry County EMS	Russel Thomas	Present
Shackelford County EMS	Tina Ulbrich	Present
Stamford EMS	Chris McDonald	Present
Stephens Memorial Hospital	Lee Williamson	Present
Stonewall County Ambulance Service	Jaffin Durham	Present
STONEWALL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	Heather Kiser	Present

Sweetwater Fire Department	Absent	Present
Taylor County EMS	David Allman	Present
Throckmorton County EMS	Tina Hantz	Present
Throckmorton County Memorial Hospital	Kinsi Voss	Present