

Regional Hospital Planning Group
Trauma Service Area – D
September 14, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Present:	Bill Nemir	Haskell Hospital
	Lulu Boyd	Mitchell County Hospital
	LaVona Brown	Fisher County Hospital
	Mike Rollins	BCRAC
	Sherry Clements	Eastland Memorial Hospital
	Wanda McIlvain	Coleman County Medical Center
	Paul Ferguson	Brownwood Regional Medical Center
	Terry Murphy	Anson General Hospital
	Vinny Johnston	Abilene Psychiatric Center
	Bill Deitenbeck	ARMC
	Larry Johnson	Taylor County Public Health Dist.
	Randy King	Throckmorton County Hospital
	LeeAnn Fraser	Stonewall Memorial Hospital
	Sheila Kuehler	Knox County Hospital
	Stephen Kuehler	Knox County Hospital
	Patsy Criswell	Stamford Memorial Hospital
	Ellen Weaver	Stephens Memorial Hospital
	Clint Taylor	Hendrick Medical Center
	Lexie Feist	Brownwood Regional Medical Center
	Shannon Young DeLaCruz	Brownwood Regional Medical Center
	Roger Dickey	Hendrick Medical Center

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM.
2. A 45 minute educational demonstration of the RedBat Surveillance system was conducted by Kathryn Miller RN MPA CIC who has worked with RedBat since its inception. The system was designed by ICPA Incorporated which has been in business since 1984. The software is utilized for event detection and uses existing data (demographics & symptom data for each patient), sorts the data into syndromes and then monitors the syndromes for outbreaks. It is capable of analyzing data, sending out alerts and various flags, linking with regulatory agencies and providing tabular or graphical reports. RedBat is also capable of tracking injury events such as drowning, overdoses, burns, etc. Estimated cost for the software is \$5000 with agency add-on for \$1,500. It was reported that there are 100 hospitals in Texas using this software including San Antonio, DFW area and Midland/Odessa area. The North Dakota State Health Department has recently purchased this software to use state-wide. Mr. Taylor announced that Texas had no plans to implement a state-wide system at this point.
3. FY 04 items – Mike Rollins
 - a. Trauma Registry Training is available through the RAC. All hospitals should have received information on the program through the list serve.
 - b. Jimmy Paterson from Grainger is available to do PAPR training in the morning on the 6th of October. Members elected to have the training on that date so Mike will work out the time and location and announce it later. Members will be notified of the specifics via email. Participants should bring one complete suit per hospital to the training.
 - c. The Decontamination showers will be shipping soon and participants who ordered them should have them by October 6th.
 - d. Three hospitals were commended for completing BT FY04 paperwork requirements. Stonewall County Hospital was the first to finish all requirements.

- e. Three benchmarks for BT FY 04 have yet to be met:
 - i. Volunteer registration – EMSsystem has an add-on product that can help meet that benchmark at a cost of \$12,000.
 - ii. Plan exercise – Mike has talked with TEAKS and found that the cost for a full-blown exercise would cost \$100,000. A table-top exercise would cost \$25,000-\$30,000. The exercise must be completed by December 31, 2006 and must include EMS, State Health Department and hospitals.
 - iii. Behavioral health training – Vinnie Johnson thought Abilene Psych might be able to supply this training but the State needed to clarify the competency requirements prior to setting up the training.
- 4. FY 05 items – Mike Rollins
 - a. There will be a 27% reduction in funding this year with metropolitan areas getting the larger percentages of funds.
 - b. The focus for benchmarks this year will be on pandemic flu.
 - c. Attendance is necessary for participation in the funding so it was emphasized that everyone sign the roster each meeting.
 - d. Hospitals were reminded that RAC dues were due September 1st.
- 5. Another syndrome surveillance tool (SYRIS) was discussed. Sherry will arrange for a demonstration of the through the Infection Control Manager at Eastland Memorial Hospital who has been to Lubbock and viewed the program.
- 6. Roger discussed the Texas State Department of State Health Services software board that has been added to WebEOC. The new board includes EMS (ambulances), HAVEbed (bed tracking), Nursing Home (bed reporting), Patient Tracker (tracks patients state wide and/or locally), Shelters and Ventilators. There currently are no instructions from the State on how to use the boards. Roger reported that the state had \$800,000 that had to be spent so they contracted with ESI to build the board.
- 7. Roger discussed the HC Standard aspect of WebEOC and stated that the connection between WebEOC and HC Standard will be seamless by December. He recommended hospitals, at this time, utilize EMSsystem for daily updates like diversion status, etc. rather than WebEOC.
- 8. Members were asked to find out if their City or County Emergency Managers have eMaps available and if, so, are they expandable. They should contact Roger or Clint Taylor with this information.
- 9. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.