



AGENDA
Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)
Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Friday, August 18, 2023
8:00 AM

DoubleTree by Hilton Austin, Phoenix Central Ballroom
6505 N Interstate 35
Austin, TX 78752

This meeting will be conducted live and virtually through Microsoft Teams.

Virtual meeting links are posted to the GETAC webpage at
www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council.

1. Call to Order – Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair
2. Roll Call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission – Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair
GETAC Vision:
A unified, comprehensive, and effective Emergency Healthcare System.
GETAC Mission:
To promote, develop, and advance an accountable, patient-centered Trauma and Emergency Healthcare System
4. Review and Approval of June 9, 2023, Minutes
5. Chair Report and Discussion
6. State Reports:
 - a. EMS/Trauma Systems Section
 - b. Texas EMS and Trauma Registry
7. GETAC Committee Reports:
 - a. Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee
 - b. Cardiac Care Committee
 - c. Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee
 - d. Emergency Medical Services Committee
 - e. EMS Education Committee
 - f. EMS Medical Directors Committee
 - g. Injury Prevention and Public Education Committee
 - h. Pediatric Committee
 - i. Pediatric Education Project – Kate Remick, MD
 - i. Stroke Committee
 - j. Trauma Systems Committee

8. EMS Timeout/Handoff
 - a. EMS patient transfer to hospital care
 - b. Hospital patient transfer to EMS care for interfacility transports
9. GETAC Strategic Plan Section Review
10. Texas System Performance Improvement Plan and PI Task Force Update
11. Rules for Senate Bill (SB) 422
 - a. SB 422 rulemaking relates to the authority of certain military service members to engage in a business or occupation in the State of Texas.
 - b. Proposed rule change and new rule: Texas Administrative Code Title 25, Part 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter F. Licensure Exemptions, Rule §1.81 Recognition of Out-of-State License of a Military Service Member and Military Spouse and Texas Administrative Code Title 25, Part 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter G. Alternative Licensing for Military, New Rule § 1.91 Alternative Licensing for Military Service Members, Military Spouses, and Military Veterans.
12. Action Items
 - a. CRASH Data request for participation – Jorie Klein
 - b. The Texas EMS for Children (EMSC) Program requests the Council endorse efforts of the Voluntary Pediatric Recognition Program (VPRP), encouraging Level I – IV designated trauma centers' participation in the statewide program to reduce morbidity and mortality in critically ill and injured children. – Belinda Waters, Chair, Pediatric Committee
 - c. The EMSC Program requests the Council endorse efforts of the National Pediatric Readiness Quality Initiative (NPRQI), including hospital emergency department participation in a state and nationwide platform that provides a free, secured, web-based platform allowing emergency departments (EDs) to track quality metrics and performance. – Belinda Waters, Chair, Pediatric Committee
 - d. Educational letter to Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) – Belinda Waters, Chair, Pediatric Committee
 - e. Pediatric Rural Trauma Education Quality Initiatives: Requesting Council support and approval of educational framework – Kate Remick, MD
 - f. Process proposal for connecting stakeholders to Council members – Deidra Lee
 - g. October 2024 GETAC Retreat – Jorie Klein

Discussion, public comment, and possible action on the following items:

(Public comment time may be limited at Chair's discretion.)

13. Discussion, review, and recommendations for initiatives that instill a culture of safety for responders and the public with a focus on operations and safe driving practices
14. Discussion of Rural Priorities
15. Discussion and possible actions on initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve the Trauma and Emergency Healthcare System in Texas.
16. GETAC Stakeholder Updates

- a. Texas EMS Trauma Acute Care Foundation (TETAF)
 - b. Regional Advisory Council (RAC) Chair/Executive Director
17. Final Public Comments
 18. Announcements
 19. Next meeting dates
 20. Adjournment - Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair

Public Comment: The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments pertaining to topics related to Emergency Health Care. Members of the public are encouraged to participate in this process by providing written public comments to DSHS by emailing deidra.lee@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 PM, August 10, 2023. Please include your name and either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments are limited to three minutes and will be read during the meeting for consideration by the Council. The request must contain your name, the name of the organization you represent or that you are speaking as a private citizen, and your direct phone number.

Public comment is limited to three minutes. Speakers must state their name, affiliation, and on whose behalf they are speaking. Public members who are using handouts are asked to provide an electronic copy in accessible pdf format that will be distributed by DSHS staff to Council members and state staff and for public distribution. Handouts are limited to two pages of documentation (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to DSHS no later than 5:00 PM, August 10, and include the name of the person who will be commenting.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of DSHS.

Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to Jorie Klein, DSHS, at 512-535-8538 or Jorie.Klein@dshs.texas.gov.

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