



AGENDA

Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Committee Meeting Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Thursday, March 7, 2024

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

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.

Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair
Judge Mike DeLoach, Ryan Matthews, LP, Council Liaisons
Joseph Schmider, DSHS

1. Call to Order – Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair
2. Roll Call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) Vision and Mission Statements – Kevin Deramus, LP, 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. Reading of the GETAC EMS Committee's Statement of Purpose – Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair

EMS Committee Statement of Purpose: To develop a comprehensive, accessible, and sustainable EMS delivery system through collaboration, innovation, training, safety, research, and efficiency to provide the highest quality prehospital patient care.

5. Review and Approval of the November 19, 2023, Meeting Minutes – Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair

6. Welcome to new members – Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair
7. GETAC Chair comments – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair
8. EMS/Trauma Systems Update – Joseph Schmider, State EMS Director

Discussion and possible action on the following items:

9. GETAC Council Retreat update – Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair
 - a) Chair Appointment
 - b) Vice Chair
 - c) Meeting Minutes discussion
10. 2024 Committee Priorities discussion
11. Discuss Process Improvement Goals
12. Discuss the election of Vice Chair for the EMS Committee
13. Texas EMS for Children (EMSC) Update – Sam Vance, LP
14. Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Guidance for Hospitals discussion – Sam Vance, LP
15. EMS Wall Time White Paper distribution discussion
16. Discussion on effects of Pulsara on EMS agencies across Texas – Corey Ricketson
17. Discussions on employee safety and appropriate self-defense resources – Jim Jones, LP
18. Review and discuss Texas Administrative Code Title 25 Health Services, Part 1 Department of State Health Services, Chapter 157 Emergency Medical Care, Subchapter B Emergency Medical Services Provider Licenses, Rule §157.11 Requirements for an EMS Provider License – Update from Joseph Schmider, State EMS Director
19. Preparing for the next MCI / Active Threat – Committee members
 - a) Israeli EMS: Responding in Crisis
20. Discussion on the impacts of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on public safety EMS agencies – Chief James Campbell
21. Items to be placed on the agenda for the next EMS Committee meeting – Kevin Deramus, LP, Interim Chair
22. General Public Comment: *Comment time may be limited at Chair's discretion.*
23. Announcements – Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair
24. Next meeting date – Kevin Deramus, LP, Chair

25. Adjournment – Kevin Deramus, LP, 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, March 1, 2024. 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 of 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 by 5:00 PM, March 1, 2024, and include the name of the person commenting.

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