



**AGENDA**

**Cardiac Care Committee Meeting  
Governor’s EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)**

Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Thursday, August 13, 2020

3:00 P.M.

There is no physical location for this meeting

*Due to health precautions related to the COVID-19 pandemic,  
this meeting will be conducted virtually using Microsoft Teams only.*

*To access the online meeting, go to the link below and register.*

**Registration must be completed no later than 5:00 p.m., August 10, 2020**

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James McCarthy, MD, Chair  
Gerad Troutman, MD, Council Liaison  
Joseph Schmider, DSHS

Call to Order/Roll Call ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements ..... James McCarthy, 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.***

Review and approval of February 2020 meeting minutes ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair

Re-Introduction of new members ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair

GETAC Chair comments ..... Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair

Discussion and possible action on the following items: ..... Committee Members

1. Update on the Texas Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (TX-CARES) .....  
..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair

- 2. Discussion on COVID-19 impact on Cardiac Care in Texas ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair
- 3. Update from Cardiac Care Liaison to the Texas Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke Council ..... Catherine Bissell, RN
- 4. Discussion on development of a Statement of Purpose for the Cardiac Care Committee ..... Committee Members
- 5. Discussion, review, and recommendations for initiatives that instill a culture of safety for responders, caregivers, and the public with a focus on operations and safe driving practices ..... Committee Members
- 6. Review the GETAC Strategic Plan for the Texas Emergency Healthcare System and determine if any additions, deletions, or corrections are in order .... Committee Members
- 7. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve acute cardiac care in Texas ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair

General Public Comment  
*(Comment time may be limited at Chair’s discretion)*

- Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report ..... Committee Members
- Announcements ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair
- Review and list agenda items for next meeting ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair
- Next meeting date ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair
- Adjournment ..... James McCarthy, MD, Chair

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**Contact:** Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to Robert Friedrich, Department of State Health Services, 512-484-8113, or robert.friedrich@dshs.texas.gov.

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