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**AGENDA**

**Disaster / Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting  
Governor’s EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)**

Department of State Health Services (DSHS)  
Wyndham Garden Austin  
3401 South IH 35 Austin, TX 78741  
Wednesday, June 26th, 2019  
9:00 A.M.

Eric Epley, NREMT-P, Chair  
Mike Clements, Brian Eastridge, MD, Sharon Malone, MD, Council Liaisons

Call to Order/Roll Call ..... Eric Epley, NREMT-P, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements ..... Eric Epley, 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 2019 meeting minutes ..... Eric Epley, Chair

GETAC Chair comments ..... Robert Greenberg, MD, GETAC Chair

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

1. Workgroup Reports:
  - A. Texas Disaster Medical System (TDMS) ..... Emily Kidd, MD
  - B. Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) report ..... Sara Jensen
  - C. Infectious Disease Response Unit (IDRU) report ..... Jordan Ghawi
  
2. Review committee priorities for 2019 ..... Eric Epley, Chair
  - A. Active Shooter (triage and movement by nontraditional means)
  - B. Disaster Patient Tracking/Evacuation (triage and movement by nontraditional means)
  - C. Special and Vulnerable populations: Dialysis/Methadone/Functional Needs Patients
  - D. EMTF – Interoperable communications with EMS/Hospitals
  - E. Wildland Fire Support Mission
  - F. Cyber Security

G. Hospital Surge Reimbursement Process

- 3. 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 ..... Eric Epley, Chair
- 4. Review of recently passed legislation, its requirements, and the impact on disaster and emergency preparedness activities ..... Eric Epley, Chair
- 5. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve disaster and emergency preparedness in Texas ..... Eric Epley, Chair
- 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

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

- Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report ..... Committee Members
- Announcements ..... Eric Epley, Chair
- Review and list agenda items for next meeting ..... Eric Epley, Chair
- Next meeting date ..... Eric Epley, Chair  
Wednesday, September 25, 2019
- Adjournment ..... Eric Epley, Chair

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