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AGENDA
EMS Committee Meeting
Governor’s EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)

Department of State Health Services (DSHS)
Wyndham Garden Austin
3401 South IH 35, Austin, Texas 78741
Thursday, February 28th, 2019
10:30 A.M.

Dudley Wait, EMT-P, BBA, Chair
Chief Robert Isbell, Ryan Matthews, LP, GETAC Liaisons

Call to Order/Roll Call Dudley Wait, EMT-P, BBA, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements Dudley Wait, 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 November 2018 meeting minutes Dudley Wait, Chair

GETAC Chair comments Robert Greenberg, MD, GETAC Chair

Discussion and possible action on the following items: Committee Members

1. Discussion on developing a working document of EMS Leadership Resources to be shared on the DSHS website and across the industry Dudley Wait, Chair

2. Discussion on developing a work group with EMS Medical Directors to develop best practices and goals to assist and encourage EMS Medical Directors to become more involved with their agencies Dudley Wait, Chair

3. Update and potential recommendations from the workgroup formed to examine the usage of lights and sirens by EMS personnel Dudley Wait, Chair

4. Update and potential best practices recommendations from the workgroup formed to examine EMS agency response standards in contracts at the community level Dudley Wait, Chair
5. Update on Federal EMS issues relating to the National EMS Advisory Council, the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS, and the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) Dudley Wait, Chair
6. Update of EMS Transition of Care Task Force Dudley Wait, Chair
7. EMS for Children Update
8. Update from the EMS Committee and Medical Directors Committee joint work group to develop a state-approved process designed to rehabilitate EMS personnel with substance abuse problems and reintegrate them into the EMS Workforce Dudley Wait, Chair
9. Update on Mental Health Access for First Responders Work Group Dudley Wait, Chair
10. Review the GETAC Strategic Plan for the Texas Emergency Healthcare System and determine if any additions, deletions, or corrections are in order Committee Members
11. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve emergency medical service provision in Texas Dudley Wait, Chair

General Public Comment

(Comment time may be limited at Chair's discretion)

- Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report Committee Members
- Announcements Dudley Wait, Chair
- Review and list agenda items for next meeting Dudley Wait, Chair
- Next meeting date Dudley Wait, Chair
- Adjournment Dudley Wait, Chair

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