



AGENDA

**EMS Medical Directors Committee Meeting
Governor’s EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)**

Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Friday, August 14, 2020

1:00 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, click on the link below and register.

Registration must be completed no later than 5:00 P.M., August 11, 2020

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Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

Sharon Malone, MD, Taylor Ratcliff, MD, Council Liaisons

Joseph Schmider, DSHS

Call to Order/Roll Call Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements Gerad Troutman, 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 Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

GETAC Chair comments Robert Greenberg, MD, GETAC Chair

Discussion and possible action on the following items: Committee Members

1. Review the GETAC Strategic Plan for the Texas Emergency Healthcare System and determine if any additions, deletions, or corrections are in order Committee Members

2. Discussion, review, and approval of potential single sentence statements on:
 - A. Use of Ketamine Sharon Malone, MD
 - B. Use of lights and sirens as a medical intervention Jeff Jarvis, MD
 - C. Research Agenda Robert Gerhardt, MD
 - D. Support for Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project Catherine Remick, MD
 - E. Cardiac Arrest as a reportable condition Richard Bradley, MD
 - F. Need for additional statements Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
3. Emergency Triage, Treat, and Transport (ET3) Update Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
4. Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) discussion Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
5. Update on the Texas Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (TX-CARES)
 Jeff Jarvis, MD
6. Discussion on standardizing response time language for air medical scene responses
 Lynn Lail, RN, LP, Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee Chair
7. Update on development of methods to provide financial support for medical direction
 resource document Craig Manifold, DO
8. Update on joint work group with EMS Medical Directors and EMS Committees to
 develop best practices and goals to assist and encourage EMS Medical Directors to
 become more involved with their agencies Yagnesh Desai, MD
9. Discussion of EMS personnel testing positive for 'substances', but not demonstrating
 signs of being under the influence Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
10. Discussion of EMS personnel in medical treatment assistance programs
 Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
11. Discussion on development of a Statement of Purpose for the EMS Medical Directors
 Committee Committee Members
12. 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
13. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve EMS medical
 direction in Texas Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
[https://www.emsworld.com/e-book/1224558/texas-naemsp-practice-guidelines-
 during-covid-19-pandemic](https://www.emsworld.com/e-book/1224558/texas-naemsp-practice-guidelines-during-covid-19-pandemic)

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

Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report Committee Members

Announcements	Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
Review and list agenda items for next meeting	Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
Next meeting date	Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
Adjournment	Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

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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, State staff and for public distribution. Handouts are limited to two pages (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only) of documentation. Handouts must be emailed to DSHS immediately after registering and include the name of the person who will be commenting.

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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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