

Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisor Council															
EMS Sub-Committee															
ATTENDANCE															
October 12, 2012															
Name	O c t 0 9	N o v 0 9	J a n 0 1	F e b 0 0	M a r 0 0	J u n 0 0	A u g 0 0	S e p 0 0	O c t 0 1	N o v 0 1	D e c 0 1	J a n 0 2	F e b 0 2	M a r 0 2	O c t 0 2
Dudley Wait	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lucille Maes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kevin Deramus	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Eddie Martin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike Farris	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X			
Brian McNevin (Off in 2012)		X	X		X		X	X	X		X				
Brian Petrilla	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Larry Rascon (2010 Appt)		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Lon Squyres	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Justin Boyd (2011 Appt)								X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Anthony Gilchrest (2011 Appt)								X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Tami Kayea (2012 Appt)												X	X	X	X

1. The meeting was called to order at 1000 by Chair Dudley Wait.
2. **Suggestions on rule changes to address issues surrounding the increasing numbers of ground providers in metropolitan areas:** The group reviewed the suggested changes submitted by the Texas Ambulance Association to DSHS. Discussion then started on the first item, "Increased Requirements on the Administrator of Record". The group talked thoroughly about how to add to the current language regarding the "Administrator of Record" in Chapter 157.11. After much discussion among the 14 attendees, the following was agreed upon as a starting point:
 - a. The person named as "Administrator" must have personal accountability for the actions of the agency. Language needs to be crafted to make this happen.
 - b. Each organization must have an Administrator and no one can be the named Administrator for more than one paid agency. If there is a need for someone to administrate more than one paid agency, they can seek a variance from DSHS which will be given based upon the needs, location and service type.
 - c. The group agreed that EMS certification is important for these individuals but it was agreed that current EMS Providers would have their "Administrator" grand-fathered and would not need EMS

Certification but new EMS Provider applicants would need an Administrator who held some level of EMS Certification.

- d. The group felt that this was actually a compliance officer type position as well and supported the requirement of agencies submitting compliance plans and doing compliance CE annually.
 - e. There was also agreement on an Administrator Course. The agreed upon factors of this course would include:
 - i. New Provider License applicants have to have someone who has taken the course prior to getting their Provider License. The group agreed there would need to be a variance process in place for public safety needs (i.e. a communities 911 provider goes out of business and another agency has to step up to provide ambulance service, etc)
 - ii. Current Provider License holders would be grandfathered for up to 2 re-licensing periods. The grandfather date follows the agency so if they replace their administrator, the grandfather date remains the same.
 - iii. For current providers there was discussion of the course being offered in module format but the course should be designed as a “all at one time” course and should be required that new EMS Provider license Administrators take the course “all at one time”.
 - iv. The course should include all regulatory agencies that affect EMS including but not limited to DSHS, DEA, DPS, OIG, FBI, CMS, HHSC, Labor Board, Texas Medical Board, etc.
 - v. There should be CE requirements from the beginning of this new process.
 - f. The group is going to review what type courses are out there in other states for further ideas on how to implement this.
 - g. The group will review these items at our November meeting for additional stakeholder input.
 - h. Although some of the other items were included in the Administrator of Record discussion, the group will focus more on them at our next meetings.
3. **Discussion on the GETAC Strategic Plan options regarding meeting times and lengths as presented at the August 2012 GETAC Meeting:**
The group reviewed the two options presented by GETAC Chair Riley at the August meeting. There was a lot of discussion on how the presentation was made, the lack of stakeholder input and lack of a clear reason for the proposed changes. The largest concern of the committee

members present was that the shorter meeting time option would require additional meetings for the EMS Committee which would result in additional travel costs and time away from the office. The concerns of the overlapping meeting option were for those agencies and jurisdictions where they send one person to attend all the meetings and report back. This meeting option would make it impossible for these people to make all the meetings due to the overlap. The committee members and other attendees were encourage to contact the GETAC Council with their thoughts and concerns.

4. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 1500.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dudley Wait". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

Dudley Wait, EMT-P
EMS Committee Chair