



**EDUCATION COMMITTEE
OF GOVERNOR'S EMS AND TRAUMA ADVISORY COUNCIL (GETAC)
OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES (DSHS)**

MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING
FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2009

TIME OF MEETING
9:00AM

LOCATION OF MEETING
BLINN COLLEGE, BRYAN, TEXAS

TYPE OF MEETING	Education Committee Meeting and Workshop
CHAIRMAN	Jodie Harbert, LP

Agenda topics

Ethics of EMS Professionals: The Committee discussed the need for Ethics education to be added to continuing education for all levels of EMS certification/licensure. The committee will continue to move forward to implement Competency Based Ethics to EMS continuing education. The committee will work on the objectives for the next meeting. The committee did not want to add hours to accomplish the goal but to use time in the Additional Category. LeFevers, Hayes, and Mitchell will work to present objectives the committee.

Research in EMS Education: The committee examined the need for research in EMS Education. The committee voted 9-0 to investigate the process to include research components for Research 101 at the 2009 and 2010 Texas EMS Conference. Bolleter and Villers will work to present objectives and components to work with DSHS for the conference.

EMS Education Curriculum Development: The committee examined and discussed at length the components and the complexities of this issue. After extensive discussion the voted 9-0 to Accept and adopt the new EMS Education Standard as the minimum standard and assist with implementation of the process through the distribution of available resources.

Update on Accreditation Assignments: Informational literature has been developed by committee members and was presented to the committee for approval. The committee edited the documents for fine tuning. There was discussion to find the best way to distribute the information to the intended recipients, i.e. Government and Education officials. DSHS advised that they could not provide us with email addresses due to an information release conflict. US mail would be too expensive to send the documents. After discussion from all present, the committee voted 9-0 to accept the documents with the approved changes and to distribute using the Council of Governments, Texas Municipal League list of government officials as well as the DSHS website. Shiplett, Hardy, and Harbert will work on Coordinating Board, WECM notification.

GETAC Education Meeting Cancellation/Reschedule: Due to the fact the National Association of EMS Educators (NAEMSE) conference is being held during the August GETAC meeting, the committee voted 9-0 to cancel the GETAC Education meeting in August to allow members to attend the national conference. The committee also voted 9-0 to reschedule the meeting in Austin, September 18, 2009 from 9a-1p at the Learning Resource Center (LRC), 2800 Spirit of Texas Drive.

CURRENT PROJECTS

DISCUSSION	On-going, Assignments were given to members to complete by the next meeting in September, 2009 The committee reaffirmed to have the next National Accreditation Workshop October 9, 2009 at Del-Mar College in Corpus Christi.
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ADJOURNMENT	Voted 6-0 Hardy-Creech to adjourn and begin Accreditation Workshop
NEXT MEETING	September 18, 2009 at the Learning Resources Center, 2800 Spirit of Texas Drive, Austin, Texas
SPECIAL NOTES	Special thanks to Tim Hardy and Blinn College staff for hosting the meeting. Members present: Harbert, Creech, Hardy, Lefevers, Mitchell, Bolleter, Hayes, Shiplet, and Villers