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Dear Mr. Manz,

On behalf of the Governor's EMS & Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) for the State of Texas, I am submitting three letters of comments developed and approved by the State EMS Committee, Education Committee and Medical Directors Committee of GETAC.

As with the first draft, we appreciate the opportunity to continue to be a part of the comment process regarding this landmark effort to refine the delivery of out-of-hospital care to acutely ill and injured persons. We understand and applaud your efforts to continually "fine tune" the concepts so that the end product meets the needs of a very diverse population of patients, states, providers and circumstances. As a group of committed stakeholders, we stand ready to help in any way we can.

You will note several consistent themes in the three attached documents. It is our collective hope that significant efforts at the state level to reach consensus will make your job easier at the national level.

Thanks again for allowing us an opportunity to participate.

On behalf of the Council,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Racht MD".

Edward M. Racht, MD
Chair

PS. Please forgive the "sterile" nature of the documents developed by the three Committees. They were literally crafted after extensive discussions at our quarterly Advisory Council meetings yesterday in an effort to meet the June 1st deadline.