



AGENDA

Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Friday, March 8, 2024

8:00 AM- 1:00 PM

DoubleTree by Hilton Austin, Phoenix Central Ballroom

6505 N Interstate 35

Austin, TX 78752

This meeting will be conducted live and virtually through Microsoft Teams.

Virtual meeting links are posted to the GETAC webpage at
www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council.

1. Call to Order – Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair
2. Roll Call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission – Alan Tyroch, 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
4. Review and Approval of November 20, 2023, Minutes
5. Chair Report and Discussion
 - a. Update on Proposed Trauma Rules: EMS-Trauma rules proposed by DSHS, Title 25, Texas Administrative Code Chapter 157, as related to Senate Bill (S.B.) 330, 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005; House Bill (H.B.) 15, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013; H.B. 3433, 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015; S.B. 984, 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021; S.B. 969, 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021; and S.B. 1397, 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021. DSHS proposes amendments to Title 25, Texas Administrative Code, §157.2 concerning Definitions and §157.128 concerning Denial, Suspension, and Revocation of Trauma Facility Designation. DSHS also proposes the repeal of §157.123 concerning

Regional Emergency Medical Services/Trauma Systems; §157.125 concerning Requirements for Trauma Facility Designation; §157.130 concerning Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care System Account and Emergency Medical Services, Trauma Facilities, and Trauma Care System Fund; and §157.131 concerning Designated Trauma Facility and Emergency Medical Services Account. DSHS further proposes new §157.123 concerning Regional Advisory Councils, §157.125 concerning Requirements for Trauma Facility Designation, and §157.130 concerning Funds for Emergency Medical Services, Trauma Facilities, and Trauma Care Systems, and the Designated Trauma Facility and Emergency Services Account. The proposed rules were published in the January 19, 2024, issue of the Texas Register (49 TexReg 199).

6. State Reports:
 - a. EMS/Trauma Systems Section
 - b. Office of Injury Prevention

7. GETAC Committee Reports:
 - a. Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee
 - b. Cardiac Care Committee
 - c. Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee
 - d. Emergency Medical Services Committee
 - e. EMS Education Committee
 - f. EMS Medical Directors Committee
 - g. Injury Prevention and Public Education Committee
 - h. Pediatric Committee
 - i. Stroke Committee
 - j. Trauma Systems Committee

8. GETAC Strategic Plan

9. GETAC Committee Guidelines

10. GETAC Standard Operating Procedures

11. Texas System Performance Improvement (PI) Plan and PI Task Force Update

12. Burn Care Task Force

13. Action Items

Discussion, public comment, and possible action on the following items:

(Public comment time may be limited at Chair's discretion.)

14. Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Guidance Document for Hospitals – Sam Vance, LP, Pediatric Disaster Workgroup

15. National Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project (PPRP) Assessment – Sam Vance, EMS for Children (EMSC) State Partnership, Texas
16. Texas EMS Trauma Acute Care Foundation (TETAF) Report
17. Discussion, review, and recommendations for initiatives that instill a culture of safety for responders and the public with a focus on operations and safe driving practices
18. Discussion of Rural Priorities
19. Discussion and possible action on initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve the Trauma and Emergency Healthcare System in Texas.
20. Final Public Comments
21. Announcements
22. Next meeting dates
23. Adjournment - Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair

Public Comment: The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments pertaining to topics related to Emergency Health Care. Members of the public are encouraged to participate in this process by providing written public comments to DSHS by emailing deidra.lee@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 PM, March 1, 2024. Please include your name and either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments are limited to three minutes and will be read during the meeting for consideration by the Council. The request must contain your name, the name of the organization you represent or that you are speaking as a private citizen, and your direct phone number.

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 and state staff and for public distribution. Handouts are limited to two pages of documentation (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to DSHS by 5:00 PM, March 1, 2024, and include the name of the person commenting.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of DSHS.

Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to Jorie Klein, DSHS, at 512-535-8538 or Jorie.Klein@dshs.texas.gov.

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