

Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisor Council															
EMS Sub-Committee															
ATTENDANCE															
May 10, 2012															
Name	A p r 0 9	O c t 0 9	N o v 0 9	J a n 0 1	F e b 0 1	M a r 0 1	J u n 0 1	A u g 0 1	S e p 0 1	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
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
Mike Farris	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	
Brian McNevin (Off in 2012)	X	X		X	X		X		X	X	X		X		
Brian Petrilla	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
Lon Squyres		X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Justin Boyd (2011 Appt)										X	X	X	X	X	X
Anthony Gilchrest (2011 Appt)										X	X	X	X	X	
Tami Kayea (2012 Appt)														X	X

1. The meeting was called to order at 1430 by Chair Dudley Wait.
2. **EMSC Report:** Sally Snow gave the EMSC update. She reported that EMSC will be conducting another Pediatric Readiness Survey. This is similar to one done back around 2002 or 2003. More information will be coming, but we will need EMS agencies to help by responding to this survey when it is published. She also reminded everyone that there were still neonatal BVMs and other pediatric equipment available for agencies that needed it. The can contact their RAC or EMSC to request it. Ms. Snow also reported that the Medical Director survey will be reported on at the next GETAC meetings.
3. **Chapter 157 recommended changes and additions:** The Chair asked if anyone had any other items for the Chapter 157 rule updates. No one offered any. DSHS reported that they still hope to have draft language back to all the committees before the end of the year. The Chair asked everyone to monitor the other committees for possible further rule changes and bring them forward for discussion.
4. **Discussion of patient care issues when ground and air providers are present on scene:** Mr. Boyd gave the update on this issue. Both EMS and Air Medical are working on this issue to help alleviate confusion that can occur, especially when the air provider may be from out of State. The Air Medical Committee moved to develop a work group between Air Medical, EMS and Medical Directors. The Committee agreed that Justin Boyd and Eddie Martin would be the would be the representatives from the EMS Committee to the work group.

5. **Discussion regarding the increasing numbers of ground providers in metropolitan areas:** The Texas Ambulance Association has delivered a set of ideas to DSHS to help further regulate ground providers and to help prevent illegitimate providers from possibly entering the industry. DSHS found several of them could be implemented by rule change and asked the TAA to begin this process at the EMS Committee. There was a brief introduction of these concepts and the Committee agreed to meet on Tuesday, August 14 to discuss these in more detail.
6. **Discussion on Texas requiring certified personnel to maintain their National Registry:** The committee reviewed the statistics on how Texas personnel recertify. The largest majority is by far by CE. Although almost 1,000 personnel recertify annually by the National Registry method, it is impossible to determine how many Texas certified personnel maintain their national registry. Further discussion was had on this concept and the Committee agreed to table this issue until it came up again as either a proposed rule change or if other factors changed that could possibly make this a more viable option in the future.
7. **Discussion on Medication Shortages and sharing of best practices:** The Committee shared best practices on how agencies are coping with the drug shortage issue. DSHS has published a position paper on agencies dealing with the shortages. It was also discussed about compounding pharmacies and the importance of seeking out an accredited compounding pharmacy if available for extra security when they are manufacturing medications for EMS use.
8. **EMS/Trauma Registry Update Presentation:** A presentation was delivered about the current status of the EMS and Trauma Registry. It should be up and running later this year. They group will be looking for beta test agencies to work with them and then they will be ready to turn it on for submissions around the start of the new Fiscal Year. Discussion was had on EMS ePCR interfaces and the group is going to maintain the current ones for some time to get the registry up and running. Also, much of the data points for EMS come from NEMSIS, but additional data is going to be required. The group is going to share the two sets of data points for the Committees information.
9. **Open Comments:** No open comments were made.
10. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 1540.



Dudley Wait, EMT-P
EMS Committee Chair