



AGENDA
Medical Directors Committee Meeting
Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)
Department of State Health Services (DSHS)
Crowne Plaza Hotel
6121 North IH 35, Austin, Texas
Thursday, February 13, 2014
10:30 A.M.

- Call to Order/Roll Call Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair
- Review mission and vision statements for GETAC Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair
- Recognize and welcome new members to the committee Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair

Vision

A unified, comprehensive, and effective EMS/Trauma System for a healthy, safe Texas.

Mission

To promote, develop, and maintain a comprehensive EMS/Trauma System that will meet the needs of all patients and that will raise the standards for community health care by implementing innovative techniques and systems for the delivery of emergency care for the entire population.

Discussion and possible action on the following items: Committee Members

1. Presentation of Texas Medical Association's (TMA) Hard Hats for Little Heads program that provides bike helmets to children, to be presented by Tammy Wishard, TMA Outreach Coordinator
2. EMS for Children Statewide Assessment update Sam Vance, BA, NREMT
3. Consider actions taken by GETAC at the November 2013 meeting regarding the mental health care position statement that was approved with the addition of the word stakeholders in the first line.
4. Consider GETAC's approval of the National Association of EMS Physicians (NAEMSP) / American College of Surgeons (ACS) position statement on the use of long spine boards at the November 2013 meeting.
5. Consider endorsement of a position statement and possible sample clinical guideline to be forwarded to GETAC on House Bill 434, 83rd Legislature, 2013, concerning blood draws, <http://www.legis.state.tx.us/tlodocs/83R/billtext/html/HB00434I.htm> regarding its revisions to Transportation Code §724.017 Jeff Beeson, DO and William Moore, MD
6. As it relates to EMS education, consider ideas for flexibility on and exemptions to [Education Code §61.05151](#), which prohibits educational institutions from requiring students to complete more than the minimum number of semester credit hours (60) required for an associate degree, unless the institution

determines that there is a compelling academic reason for requiring the additional hours and appeals for an exemption to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

7. Review and consider additions to the GETAC Medical Director web page at:
<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/emstraumasystems/medicaldirectorscommittee.shtm>

8. Consider recommendations on a position statement on the various situations during which EMS or air medical providers may be overused or inappropriately "mandated" for interfacilty transfers. Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair

9. Trauma Systems Committee Registry Workgroup (TSCRW) report Jeff Beeson, DO

10. Consider a position statement on field clearance and/or limited spinal motion restriction and a corresponding sample clinical guideline and proposal for submission to GETAC for approval Dave Spear, MD

11. Consider ideas and recommendations on addressing problems with the availability, stockpiling and cost of epinephrine auto-injectors Jeff Beeson, DO

12. Report on Attorney General Opinion GA-0753 William Moore, MD

13. Review and consider the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) 2014 National Report Card on the state of emergency care, and the results for Texas Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair

14. Review the online Medical Directors Course adapted by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, developed by the National Association of EMS Physicians and the American College of Emergency Physicians, meeting the education requirements of Title 22 Part 9 Chapter 197 Rule §197.3 Off-Line Medical Director Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair

General Public Comment (*Comment time may be limited at Chair's discretion*)

Summary for GETAC meetingCommittee Members

Announcements Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair

Review and list agenda items for next meeting Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair

Next Meeting Date Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair

Adjournment Robert Greenberg, MD, Chair