



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

COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT

Committee Discussion Items:

1. Committee liaison reports
2. EMS for Children State Partnership update: Advisory Committee- Anthony Gilchrest
Pediatric protocol review: submitted for supplemental funding for HRSA to develop 3-4 protocols as an adjunct to the large scope respiratory distress TI Grant currently being developed.
Regionalized online pediatric medical control as a resource: needs assessment was conducted that included medical directors and assessment of data from EMSC survey.
Continuing education: several classes have been conducted-3 planned with 4th tentative.
3. Chapter 157 rules revisions approved for submission based on the workgroup meeting July 8 with minor edits 2 primary points of public discussion.
 - Definition of pediatrics will be targeted as an interpretive guidance
 - The inclusion of the recommendation for reference/resource of the ACEP/AAP/ENA guidelines (ex equipment list) will be done with inclusion of the medical directors committee and DSHS legal counsel so as not to be overly prescriptive.
4. Pediatric categorization and trauma centers designation (documents previously posted): Janet Pointer (and Sally Snow). A history was discussed as well as plans for EMSC involvement to delineate a proposal modeled after states that have undertaken this initiative.
5. Presentation: Registry Solutions Work Group (recommended data elements for new Texas EMS Trauma Registry). Cross cutting pediatric data elements are addressed-inclusion of child protection and attention to submersion injury. Mary Frost

General Public Comment On Discussion Items:

None

Action Items\Motions:

A motion to submit the proposed rule revisions as delineated was made.

Future Agenda Items:

1. Review of RAC Performance Improvement measures as they pertain to pediatrics
2. Child Fatality Review Team abbreviated report for new policy and new data/annual reports
3. Expanded update on EMS State Partnership with attention to the strategic planning for the upcoming year
4. Additional discussion of Level 3 and 4 Pediatric trauma designation surrounding the updates of the trauma committee and discussion of the pediatric designation project originally begun in the 1990s.

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COMMITTEE CHAIR'S SIGNATURE

August 18, 2011

DATE