



**AGENDA**

**EMS Education Committee Meeting  
Governor’s EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)**

Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Thursday, February 11, 2021

9:00 A.M.

There is no physical location for this meeting

*Due to health precautions related to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted virtually using Microsoft Teams only.*

*To access the online meeting, click on the link below and register.*

**Registration must be completed no later than 5:00 p.m., February 8, 2021.**

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Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

Lucille Maes, LP, Taylor Ratcliff, MD, Council Liaisons

Joseph Schmider, Jorie Klein, RN, Mattie Mendoza DSHS

Call to Order/Roll Call ..... Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements ..... Committee Members

**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.***

Review and Approval of October 2020 Meeting Minutes ..... Macara Trusty, Chair

Introduction of new members ..... Macara Trusty, Chair

GETAC Chair comments ..... Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair

EMS/Trauma Systems Update ..... Jorie Klein, RN, DSHS, Director

Discussion and possible action on the following items: ..... Committee Members

1. Review continuing education requirements from Texas Administrative Code Title 25,

Chapter 157 for all levels of EMS personnel, including: ..... Macara Trusty, Chair  
(*Performance Improvement Obj: not identified, Strategy: not identified*)

- A. 157.39 Comprehensive Clinical Management Program Approval
- B. 157.40 Paramedic Licensure
- C. 157.43 Course Coordinator Certification
- D. 157.44 Emergency Medical Services Instructor Certification

2. Open Enrollment Paramedic Program Update ..... Melissa Stuive  
(*Coord Clinical Care Obj: 3, Strategy: not identified*)

3. Update on DSHS Skills Requirements, Skills Verification Forms, and Skills Proficiency Evaluation Letter ..... Lee Gillum, LP, Willie Langfeldt, EMT-P  
(*Coord Clinical Care Obj: 3, Strategy: not identified*)

4. Lessons learned and potential opportunities for EMS education programs based on experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic ..... Macara Trusty, Chair

- A. Virtual psychomotor skills training  
(*Emergency Preparedness & Response: Obj.: not identified, Strategy: not identified*)
- B. Graduate Paramedic Concept  
(*EMS Med Dire: Obj: 3, Strategy: not identified*)

5. National Registry Alternative Language Testing Options ..... Justin Boyd, LP  
(*System Integration Obj: 1, Strategy 3*)

6. Review the GETAC Strategic Plan for the Texas Emergency Healthcare System and determine if any additions, deletions, or corrections are in order..... Committee Members

- A. EMS Education addition ..... Melissa Stuive, LP  
(*Emergency Medical Services Pillar, No Category, Objectives, or Strategies identified*)

7. Discussion, review, and recommendations for initiatives that instill a culture of safety for responders, caregivers, and the public with a focus on operations and safe driving practices ..... Committee Members  
(*Performance Improvement Obj: 1, Strategy: 2*)

8. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve EMS Education in Texas ..... Macara Trusty, Chair  
(*Performance Improvement Obj: not identified, Strategy: not identified*)

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

Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report ..... Committee Members

Announcements ..... Macara Trusty, Chair

Review and list agenda items for next meeting ..... Macara Trusty, Chair

Next meeting date ..... Macara Trusty, Chair

Adjournment ..... Macara Trusty, Chair

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