

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

Minutes

Friday, February 26, 2021, 10:00 A.M.

There was no physical location for this meeting.

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Last Name	First Name	Appointed Position	Attendance
Tyroch, MD, Chair	Alan	Trauma Surgeon - per HSC §773.012(b)(14)	YES
Matthews, LP, Vice Chair	Ryan	Private EMS Provider - per HSC §773.012(b)(5)	YES
Barnhart	Jeff	Rural Trauma Facility - per HSC §773.012(b)(11)	YES
Campbell, RN	Cassie	Registered Nurse - per HSC §773.012(b)(3)	YES
Clements	Mike	EMS Fire Department - per HSC §773.012(b)(9)	NO
DeLoach, Judge	Mike	County EMS Provider - per HSC §773.012(b)(12)	YES
Eastridge, MD	Brian	Urban Trauma Facility - per HSC §773.012(b)(10)	YES
Faske	Sheila	Public Member - per HSC §773.012(b)(18)	YES
Isbell	Robert	Fire Chief - per HSC §773.012(b)(4)	YES
Johnson, RN	Della	RN w/Trauma Expertise - per HSC §773.012(b)(15)	YES
Maes, LP	Lucille	Certified Paramedic - per HSC §773.012(b)(17)	YES
Malone, MD	Sharon Ann	EMS Medical Director - per HSC §773.012(b)(2)	YES
Pickard, RN	Karen	EMS Volunteer - per HSC §773.012(b)(6)	YES
Ratcliff, MD	Taylor	EMS Educator - per HSC §773.012(b)(7)	YES
Rudolph	Darrin (Rudy)	Public Member - per HSC §773.012(b)(18)	YES
Salter, RN	Shawn	EMS Air Medical Service - per HSC §773.012(b)(8)	YES
Troutman, MD	Gerad	Emergency Physician - per HSC §773.012(b)(1)	YES
Vezetti, MD	Robert	Pediatrician - per HSC §773.012(b)(13)	YES
Wait, EMT-P	Dudley	Stand-Alone EMS Agency - per HSC §773.012(b)(16)	YES

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	Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 10:02 AM, by Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair	
	Reading of GETAC Vision and Mission	Read by Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair	
	Approval of GETAC November Minutes	Jeff Barnhart, FACHE, Motion to approve Shawn Salter, RN, Second	Approved
	Approval of GETAC December Minutes	DSHS staff will make approved changes. Gerad Troutman MD, FACEP, Motion to approve Shawn Salter, RN, Second	Approved
1	Chair Report and Discussion	Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moment of silence • GETAC appointments announced. • Quarterly meeting dates announced. 	
2 A	State Reports: DSHS Consumer Protection	Stephen Pahl, Associate Commissioner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognition of frontline workers. • DSHS staff continues to support the EMS Trauma System. • The legislative session and committee meetings have begun. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff is fully functional after the winter weather event. 	
2 B	State Reports: EMS Trauma Systems	<p>Jorie Klein, RN, Director of EMS Trauma Systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The GETAC strategic plan has been revised and is available on our website. • Working on improvements on efficiencies and deliverables. • All council members must complete the Open Meetings Training. • Ms. Klein gave an overview of council/committee participation, focus on the strategic plan and committee request workflow. • Rule revision update given for TSA Rule 157.122 and Stroke Rule 157.133. Trauma, RAC and funding rules are opening. Comments will go through the GETAC committees to the GETAC council. • Exploring Opportunity for ACS System Consultation in fall of 2022 • OEMSTS is holding non-rural, Level III and rural level IV facility monthly calls. • The current focus is on the 87th legislative session. 	

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		<p>Joe Schmider, Texas State EMS Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update given on winter weather and COVID updates.• Update given on changes to the EMS certification group processing. Please allow staff three business days to respond to calls or emails and send either/or to cut down on the response log.• Wellness Wednesday update <p>Elizabeth Stevenson, Designation Program Manager</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update given on waivers, 2-21 surveys, current designations, expirations and extensions.• Presented new performance measures. Award and certification letters will now be sent via email.• Meetings with survey organization will increase to provide feedback and discuss opportunities for improvement in documentation and survey processes. <p>Indra Hernandez, Trauma Systems Specialist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update given on EMS/Trauma Systems grants, funding and contracts.	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current Uncompensated Trauma Care application is being updated. It will be made available for at least 90 days from the release date. • Extraordinary Emergency Funds: (EEFs) FY21: \$1M became available on 9/1/2020. Update given on awarded amounts and remaining balance. • EMS LPG process has been redirected to the local Regional Advisory Councils (RACs). • Update given on Regional Advisory Council (RAC) contracts. 	
2 C	State Reports: Injury Prevention and Texas EMS and Trauma Registry	Pierce Baumann, Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data requests update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Injury Prevention - request completed and awaiting feedback from committee. ○ Pediatrics – Work on the two committee requests are in process. ○ Staff is working on a strategic plan and hiring staff. 	
	Meeting recessed due to technical issues	Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair	Recessed at 10:45 AM

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	Meeting reconvened at 11:15 AM	DSHS Legal consulted and advised that meeting will need to be rescheduled.	DSHS will send council possible dates.
	Adjournment	Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair Gerad Troutman, MD, Motion to adjourn and reschedule the meeting Dudley Wait, EMT-P, Second	Adjourned at 11:33 AM