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AGENDA

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

Thursday, March 7, 2024

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

DoubleTree by Hilton Austin, Phoenix Central Ballroom

6505 N Interstate 35

Austin, TX 78752

This meeting will be conducted live and virtually through Microsoft Teams.

Virtual meeting links are posted to the GETAC [webpage at www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council](http://www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council).

Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

Taylor Ratcliff, MD, Council Liaisons Mattie Mendoza,

Joseph Schmider, DSHS

1. Call to Order – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
2. Roll Call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

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.

4. Review and Approval of November 19, 2023, Meeting Minutes – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
5. Introduction of new committee members – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

6. GETAC Chair comments – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair
7. EMS/Trauma Systems Update – Joseph Schmider, State EMS Director

Discussion and possible action on the following items:

8. 2024 Committee Priorities
9. Open Enrollment Paramedic Program Update
 - a. Open Enrollment Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) Program
10. Review EMS education requirements from Texas Administrative Code, Title 25, Chapter 157, Subchapter C. Emergency Medical Services Training and Course Approval for all levels of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel.
 - a. Section 157.32 Emergency Medical Services Training and Course Approval
 - b. Section 157.38 Continuing Education
11. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve EMS Education in Texas (Performance Improvement Obj: to be determined by Committee Members at the meeting, Strategy: to be determined by Committee Members at the meeting)
 - a. Bridge courses/Advanced Placement: Emergency Care Attendant (ECA) to Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), EMT to AEMT, AEMT to Paramedic
 - b. Advanced Education Program Skills Sheets
12. Committee Statement of Purpose – Committee Members
13. General Public Comment – Comment time may be limited at the Chair's discretion.
14. Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
15. Announcements – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
16. Review and list agenda items for next meeting – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
17. Next meeting date – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
18. Adjournment – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

Public Comment: The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments pertaining to topics related to Emergency Health Care. Members of the public are encouraged to participate in this process by providing written public comments to DSHS by emailing deidra.lee@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 PM, March 1, 2024.

Please include your name and either the organization you are representing or that you are speaking as a private citizen. Written comments are limited to three minutes and will be read during the meeting for consideration by the Council. The request must contain your name, the name of the organization you represent or that you are speaking of as a

private citizen, and your direct phone number. Public comment is limited to three minutes. Speakers must state their name, affiliation, and on whose behalf they are speaking. Public members who are using handouts are asked to provide an electronic copy in accessible pdf format that will be distributed by DSHS staff to Council members and state staff and for public distribution. Handouts are limited to two pages of documentation (paper size: 8.5" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to DSHS by 5:00 PM, March 1, 2024, and include the name of the person commenting.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of DSHS.

Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to Jorie Klein, DSHS, at 512-535-8538 or Jorie.Klein@dshs.texas.gov.

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