

PCC EMS Report

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- The Senate Bill 8 (SB 8) provides 21.7 million dollars for EMS Recruitment and Retention project has ended with the end of 2024. DSHS partner with Regional Advisory Councils (RAC) and EMS Education programs and EMS Providers to provide scholarships for candidates.
 - I. New Statewide Career website, <https://EMS.texas.gov>
 - II. As of 1-01-2025 there are 10,416 additional certified EMS personnel than there were on October 1, 2022.
 - III. EMS Recruitment campaign material was developed and provide to each of the Regional Advisory Council and is available upon request.
- As of November 20, 2023, the Texas EMS Registry system upgraded to V3.5. 2025. Texas EMS and Trauma Registries (EMSTR) extends our thanks to you for a record number of EMS data submissions during calendar year (CY) 2023 and 2024. For CY2025, the registry will continue collecting records in the National EMS Information System (NEMSIS) 3.5.0 format. There are no plans to implement the NEMSIS 3.5.1 or 3.5.2 minor revisions. Staff will begin to prepare for the NEMSIS 3.6.0 major revision in 2026. Beginning 02/01/2025, EMSTR will go through an annual network security audit. If an EMS Provider receive an email from EMSTR program, please promptly confirm the access privileges/rights for the staff currently assigned to the EMS Provider (agency) account. For any questions, please contact injury.web@dshs.texas.gov.
- The Annual Texas EMS Conference will be in Fort Worth, Texas starting November 22 – 25, 2025 for more information please go to; <https://texasemsconference.com>
- The next Governors EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) meeting will be March 5th to the 7th in Austin. For more information and the meeting agenda please go to the following website. <https://dshs.texas.gov/emstraumasystems/governor.shtm>
- GETAC has developed, a “Whole Blood Tack Force” lead by Eric Epley, Executive Director for South Texas Regional Advisory Council (STRAC), the mission of this task force is to develop a statewide pre-hospital whole blood program. This task force continues to meet and working together to develop a “Whole Blood” program in every County in Texas.