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Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee Meeting Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Wednesday, August 16, 2023

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

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.

Lynn Lail, RN, LP, Chair
Shawn Salter, RN, and Danny Ramirez, EMT- P, Council Liaisons
Jorie Klein, RN, Joseph Schmider, DSHS

1. Call to Order – Lynn Lail, RN, LP, Chair
2. Roll Call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements – Lynn Lail, 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. Reading of the Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee's (AM&SCTC) Statement of Purpose – Lynn Lail, Chair

AM&SCTC Statement of Purpose: To collaborate with individuals and organizations to promote and enhance the overall safety, quality of service, and level of care to patients being treated and transported by air medical and specialty care transport providers.

5. Review and approval of June 7, 2023, AM&SCTC meeting minutes – Lynn Lail, Chair
6. GETAC Chair comments – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair
7. EMS/Trauma Systems Update – Jorie Klein, MSN, MHA, BSN, RN, EMS/Trauma Systems Director; Joseph Schmider, State EMS Director

Discussion and possible action on the following items:

8. GETAC Committee Application Period for 2024 Appointments
9. EMS Personnel and Providers Appeal Hearing Timeline – Joseph Schmider
10. Reports from AM&SCTC members assigned to attend other GETAC committee meetings – Committee Members
11. Discussion and review of a Safety Moment – Committee Members
12. EMS Handoff/Time-Out Tool discussion & recommendation – Committee Members
13. Update on the GETAC Strategic Plan as it pertains to the Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee (AM&SCTC) in 2023 – Lynn Lail, Chair & Committee Members
 - a. Emergency Preparedness and Response
 - b. Prevention
 - c. System Integration
14. Texas System Performance Improvement Plan and Recommendations for EMS Air Medical Outcome Measures – Lynn Lail, Chair
15. Review of current state legislation and its potential impact on air medical and specialty care transport in Texas – Lynn Lail, Chair
16. 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
17. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve air medical and specialty care transport service provision in Texas – Lynn Lail, Chair
18. General Public Comment – Comment time may be limited at Chair's discretion.
19. Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report – Committee Members
20. Announcements – Lynn Lail, Chair

21. Review and list agenda items for next meeting – Lynn Lail, Chair
22. Next meeting date – Lynn Lail, Chair
23. Adjournment – Lynn Lail, 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, August 10, 2023. 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 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" x 11" on one side only). Handouts must be emailed to DSHS no later than 5:00 PM, August 10, 2023, and include the name of the person who will be commenting.

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