

8.a. GETAC Air Medical & Specialty Care Transport Committee Update to Council

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AMSCT Committee

2024 Committee Priorities Update


Priority Not Implemented
Priority Activities Recorded
Priority Completed and Monitored

Committee Priorities	Current Activities	Status
Coordinated Clinical Care: <i>Texas Department of Public Safety – State Troopers</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Local classes to begin in the Houston & Fort Worth areas with 2 DPS Sergeants that are Academy Instructors<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Feedback to be received from those classes- Revisions as neededFinal presentation anticipated to be ready for Q3 committee & Council approval	
Prevention: <i>HEMS Specific Mental Health Awareness</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Resource document completeCommittee approval received 6/4/2025Seeking Council approval today, 6/6/2025	

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Approve: Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS)-Specific Mental Health Awareness Resource Document

Provided by the GETAC Air Medical & SCT Committee



Your Mind Matters

HEMS Resources for Crisis & Mental Health Management

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES:

UT Health Houston - CBEAR First Responder Program

- No cost to all first responders in Texas.
- UT Health provides a confidential helpline to assist in locating suitable treatment and recovery options.
- "The First Responders Educational Campaign" is a free, research-driven initiative.
- The campaign is designed to equip first responders across Texas with valuable information about substance use & mental health disorders.

Heroes Helpline:
1-833-367-4689
1-833-EMS-INTX
First Responder Behavioral Health Training:
uthealth.catalog.instructure.com/browse/heroes/

ECHO-FAST

- Dedicated peer support for flight crew members.
- Services include both individual and team support options.
- Flight crew members have access to a peer support hotline available 24/7.
- FAST can mobilize trained peer support teams to various locations throughout Texas and the U.S.
- Post critical incident support for immediate family members.

24/7 Peer Support Hotline (Call or Text)
1-833-247-3278
FAST Team Request:
1-803-526-7620
info@echoflightcrew.org
www.echoflightcrew.org/fast

3FTL

- They provide mental health treatment, case management, medical oversight, trauma-informed counseling, & peer support.
- Services include outpatient care, suicide stabilization, & detoxification.
- They collaborate with facilities across the state to offer long-term treatment options.
- Their mission is to save the lives of those who save us.

Text Jennifer Halley
469-400-8357
Website:
3FTL.com

Survivor's Network

- They build resilience in individuals and organizations through a strong support network.
- Offering educational resources & assistance to medical transport organizations, personnel, & families.
- Focusing on risk mitigation, improving preparedness, & enhancing recovery efforts.
- Raising awareness of industry challenges through targeted education & research.
- Promoting safety and resilience within the community.

Website:
www.survivorsnetwork-airmedical.org
Email:
AirMedSurvivors@gmail.com

LIFT

- The Leadership Incident Fortification Training (LIFT) Program is created by AAMS.
- It equips leaders in emergency medical transport with essential tools for managing high-stress & catastrophic situations.
- Resources that facilitate healing and recovery
- The ultimate goal is to foster post-traumatic growth for both individuals and organizations.

Website:
aams.org/page/lift

Need to talk now?
Call or Text 988.
Free 24/7 Support
Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

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2025 Committee Priorities Update

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Committee Priorities	Current Activities	Status
Prevention & Injury: <i>Proper security of pediatric patients during air & ground transport</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Survey completeWorkgroup being formed with representatives from AMSCT, Pediatric, EMS, & EMS Medical Directors Committee<ul style="list-style-type: none">Create 157.11 languageStrategies to increase usage compliance	
Performance Improvement & Patient Safety: <i>Fatigue Risk Management Programs for Air Medical & Specialty Care Transport Providers</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Supporting research & data collection - CompleteDevelopment of a White Paper supporting the implementation & utilization of a FRMP continues	
Coordinated Clinical Care: <i>Develop and disseminate education on how the No Surprises Act (NSA) is protecting patients from exorbitant air medical transport bills.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Air Medical resource utilization guidelines emphasis has been includedResource document completeAMSCT Committee approval received on 6/4/2025Seeking Council approval today, 6/6/2025	

8.a.B. Approve: Trauma Facility Helicopter Safety & LZ Training presentation



**Trauma Facility
Helicopter
Safety and
Landing Zone
Training**

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2025 Committee Assignments

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Committee Assignments	Current Activities	Status
Trauma Facility Helipad Safety & Landing Zone Training Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Presentation creation - CompleteAMSCT Committee approval received 6/4/2025Seeking Council approval today, 6/6/2025	
Pulsara Implementation Guidelines for the Air Medical Provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Guideline creation – CompleteAMSCT Committee approval received 6/4/2025Seeking Council approval today, 6/6/2025	
Create education for state staff on the OLOS dispatching system	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Workgroup to be formedResearch and compile information about the OLOS systemCreate & present education to the state staff at the Q3 meeting	

GETAC Committee/Stakeholder Action Item Request for Council August 2025

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Action Item Request and Purpose

- The AMSCT Committee requests to be placed on the Council agenda for the Quarter 3 meeting.
- 1 action items/request
- The purpose of the request is to seek Council approval of the completed, final version, of Texas DPS State Trooper educational program and approval to distribute/release the educational presentation to DPS Academy Leadership for use at their discretion.

Benefit and Timeline

- **Benefit**

- DPS Troopers will be educated on “when” and “how” to request air medical assets when EMS, Fire, and FROs have not yet arrived on scene, which will facilitate earlier pt access to definitive care.

- **Timeline**

- AMSCT Committee approval of presentation – Received 6/4/2025
- Pending Council approval, the first classes will be scheduled – TBD
- If necessary, revisions will be made & approval again sought from AMSCTC & Council – Q3 2025
- Pending Council approval, the completed presentation will be released to DPS Academy Leadership for use at their discretion