

8.b. GETAC Cardiac Care Committee Update to Council

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2025Committee Priorities Update

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Committee Priorities	Current Activities	Status
1. Promote timely transfer of cardiac emergencies to higher level of care when required.	Discussed proposed DSHS form for transfer data collection and will provide feedback to DSHS as well as work to connect current EMS NEMESIS data with new data sets. Plan to start with STEMI that is currently tracked through other accreditation programs to further explore data elements to look for opportunities for improvement in timely transfers	In progress
2. Evaluate penetration of CPR instructions prior to EMS arrival Evaluate PSAP centers to determine if pre-arrival, life-saving instructions are being provided	Chair to provide previous survey to RAC chairs for consideration to conduct statewide survey.	In progress
3. Educate policymakers on the Texas Emergency Healthcare System.	Support use of RAC Data Collaborative across the state Collaborate with other relevant cardiac organizations Educate state leaders and legislature on importance of data sharing and state designation	Initial discussion

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4. Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest – AED access/bystander CPR - assessment. (continued from 2024)	<i>Plan to provide data request to DSHS and CARES for report during next meeting</i>	In Progress