



AGENDA

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

Friday, August 28, 2026

8:00 AM

DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton Austin

6505 N Interstate 35

Austin, Texas 78752

This meeting will be conducted live and virtually through Teams. Virtual meeting links are posted to the GETAC webpage at www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council.

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1. Opening

- A. Call to order – Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair
- B. Roll call – DSHS Staff
- C. Reading of the GETAC vision and mission – Alan Tyroch, MD, 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

- D. Review and approval of minutes – June 5, 2026
- E. Chair announcements

2. Discussion and possible action

- A. State reports
 - i. DSHS Ebola Update
 - ii. DSHS Injury Prevention Unit - EMS and Trauma Registries (EMSTR)
 - iii. DSHS EMS/Trauma Systems (EMSTS) Section
- B. System Collaboration for Outcomes Review (SCOR)

- i. FY26 Q4 performance data
 - a. Door-to-Needle time for patients with acute ischemic stroke
 - b. Percent of EMS patients with primary impression of 'stroke' who have a stroke screening scale documented by EMS
 - c. Mean and Median pediatric readiness score for designated trauma centers
 - ii. 2026 Performance Measures
 - a. Action item: Measure to replace *Severe Maternal Morbidity and Mortality*
 - C. GETAC committee updates and action items
 - i. Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport
 - a. Fatigue Risk Management Program
 - ii. Disaster Preparedness and Response
 - iii. Cardiac Care
 - iv. Pediatric
 - a. Approve: Public resource for the Sudden Cardiac Arrest/Death Toolkit
 - v. Stroke
 - a. Action item: Prehospital Adult Triage and Management Resource
 - b. Action item: EMS Acute Stroke Routing Rural, Urban, and Suburban
 - c. Action item: DIDO best practice recommendation
 - vi. Injury Prevention and Public Education
 - vii. Emergency Medical Services
 - viii. EMS Medical Directors
 - ix. Trauma Systems
 - a. Action Item: ACS 2026 Level IV Standards
 - x. EMS Education
 - D. GETAC Task Force Updates and Action Items
 - i. Pre-hospital Whole Blood (PHWB) Task Force
 - a. PHWB Task Force recommendations to GETAC for possible action
 - ii. Burn Care
 - iii. Time-Sensitive Transfer Deconfliction
 - E. Updates
 - i. TX Pediatric Readiness Improvement Project
 - ii. Texas EMS Trauma Acute Care Foundation (TETAF)
 - F. Review
 - i. American College of Surgeons (ACS) System Consultation
 - ii. Executive Committee activities

3. Closing

- A. Upcoming meeting dates
 - i. FY27 Strategic Planning Session: October 14-15, 2026 (Austin)
 - ii. FY27 Q1: November 20-23, 2026 (Fort Worth)
- B. Final public comments
- C. Adjournment - Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair

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