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

Sunday, November 23, 2025
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Omni Fort Worth
Fort Worth Ballroom 4/5
1300 Houston Street
Fort Worth, Texas 76102

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.

Meeting Notice: The use of artificial intelligence (AI) bots is prohibited in this meeting. In accordance with HHS policy, the use of Artificial Intelligence, also known as "AI" Notetakers, is expressly prohibited. Producers will not admit a 'bot' or other autonomous agent into the meeting. If a 'bot' should inadvertently gain entrance, it will be removed from the meeting by one of our producers.

EMS Education Committee Chair: Macara Trusty, LP

Council Liaisons: Taylor Ratcliff, MD; Rodney Tidwell, EMT-P

DSHS: Joe Schmider, Texas State EMS Director; Mattie Mendoza, EMS Education Specialist

1. Call to order – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
2. Roll call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the GETAC vision and mission statements – Macara Trusty, LP, 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 EMS Education Committee Statement of Purpose – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

Statement of Purpose: The purpose of the GETAC EMS Education Committee is to advise GETAC on EMS education and practices.

5. Review and Approval: August 21, 2025, Meeting Minutes – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
6. Committee Announcements
 - a. 2026 Applications: New & returning members
 - b. Departing committee members

7. GETAC chair announcements – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair
8. Update: EMS/Trauma Systems –Joe Schmider, Texas State EMS Director

Discussion and possible action on the following items:

9. Approve: Position Statement
 - a. Review Red Lights and Sirens (RLS)
10. Update: Stroke Committee – Amanda Jagolino-Cole, MD, Stroke Committee
 - a. Approved measures
 - i. Adult stroke routing and resource document
 - ii. Pediatric stroke routine document
 - iii. Door-in-door-out stroke transfer performance goals
 - b. State EMS education project proposal
 - c. TEAM Stroke-Ed study
11. Update: Open Enrollment Paramedic Program
 - a. Open Enrollment Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) Program
12. Update: High School Guidance Document Workgroup – Terri King
13. Update: Mentor Program Development Workgroup – Diedra Blankenship
14. Review: EMS education requirements from Texas Administrative Code, Title 25, Chapter 157, Subchapter C. EMS Training and Course Approval and Subchapter D. EMS Personnel Certification for all levels of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel.
 - a. 157.32 EMS Education Program & Course Approval
 - b. 157.34 Recertification
 - c. 157.38 Continuing Education
 - d. 157.39 Comprehensive Clinical Management Program Approval
 - e. 157.43 Course Coordinator Certification
 - f. 157.44 Emergency Medical Service Instructor Certification
15. General public comment – *Comment time may be limited at the Chair's discretion.*
16. Summary: Action items to present at RAC meeting– Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
17. Summary: Action items to present at GETAC meeting – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
18. Announcements – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
19. Review: Agenda items for the next meeting – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
20. Next meeting date – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
21. Adjournment – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

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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 of 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" by 11", one side only). Handouts must be emailed to DSHS by 5:00 PM, November 14, 2025, and include the name of the person commenting.

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Contact: Questions regarding agenda items, content, or meeting arrangements should be directed to Jorie Klein, DSHS, at 512-535-8538 or Jorie.Klein@dshs.texas.gov.

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