

7.d. GETAC EMS Committee Update to Council

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2025 Committee Priority Outcomes

Priority Not Implemented
Priority Activities Recorded
Priority Completed and Monitored

Committee Priorities	Outcomes	Status
Rule Revision 157.11 and 157.14	<i>Dwayne Howerton is chairing our workgroup on rule revision to provide a framework for recommendations to DSHS / GETAC Council for revision recommendations.</i>	
Workplace Violence on EMS Personnel Reduction of Red, Lights and Sirens usage.	<p>Chief Hayes is leading the newly created committee workgroup to discuss the ever-increasing concern and problem of workplace violence. Finalizing data survey to EMS providers for the next GETAC Quarterly Meetings.</p> <p>Previously, the Committee’s White Paper on the use of RLS. With the committee returning to full 17-member participation in 2025, we will include a workgroup that focuses on the appropriate use of RLS (red lights & sirens). The workgroup’s work is underway.</p>	
Stroke Workgroup	Donald Janes – Chair our workgroup that is corresponding and working directly with the Stroke Committee provided updates and continues to work to approve stroke recommendations	

GETAC Committee/Stakeholder Action Item Request for Council 11/2025

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Action Item Request and Purpose

- The GETAC EMS Committee is requesting Council approval to send the revised [“Workplace Violence Survey”](#) to the agency AORs.
- The purpose is to gather actual Texas data on current EMS practices and assess for gaps in education, processes, and risk mitigation strategies that could benefit EMS personnel faced with an ever-increasing workplace violence atmosphere.

Benefit and Timeline

- We partnered with our Education Committee colleagues to create a survey that could identify actual reporting gaps and to define “violence” in hopes of better identifying the potential concerns facing our responders.
- Our goal is to distribute the survey with a 60-day turnaround deadline. This should allow the workgroup to analyze the data and prepare a presentation at our next quarterly GETAC meetings in March 2026.