



AGENDA

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

Friday, March 7, 2025
8:00 AM
DoubleTree by Hilton Austin, Phoenix South Ballroom
6505 N Interstate 35
Austin, TX 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.

1. Call to order – Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair
2. Roll call – DSHS Staff
3. 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

4. Review and approval of minutes – November 25, 2024, and January 30-31, 2025
5. Chair announcements – Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair
6. State reports
 - a. Center for Health Emergency Preparedness and Response (CHEPR)
 - b. DSHS EMS/Trauma Systems Section
 - c. Office of Injury Prevention
7. Violence and Injury Prevention Research Center (VIPR) project – Jeffrey Temple, PhD, McGovern Medical School, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
8. Document review and approval
 - a. *GETAC Strategic Plan*
 - b. *GETAC Standard Operating Procedures*
 - c. *GETAC Committee Guidelines*
9. GETAC committee action items – Committee Chairs
 - a. Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee
 - A. Approval: DPS trooper education program document
 - B. Approval: Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS)-specific mental health awareness resource document
 - b. Cardiac Care Committee
 - c. Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee

- A. Update: Pre-hospital Whole Blood Task Force
 - d. Emergency Medical Services Committee
 - A. Approval: Workplace Violence in EMS survey
 - e. EMS Education Committee
 - f. EMS Medical Directors Committee
 - g. Injury Prevention and Public Education Committee
 - h. Pediatric Committee
 - A. Approval: Head Injury/Concussion Toolkit
 - B. Approval: Pediatric Consideration for Consultation and Transfer document
 - C. Update: TX Pediatric Readiness Improvement Project
 - i. Stroke Committee
 - A. Approval: Pediatric Stroke Triage Algorithm with resource documents
 - B. Approval: Adult prehospital stroke triage algorithm resource document
 - C. Approval: Formalized Adult Stroke Algorithm
 - D. Approval: Pediatric Stroke Task Force tip sheet
 - j. Trauma Systems Committee
10. Task Force Action Items
- a. Texas System Performance Improvement (PI) Plan and PI Task Force
 - b. Burn Care Task Force
 - c. EMS Wall-Times Task Force

11. Summary of Executive Committee activities

Discussion, public comment, and possible action on the following items:

(Public comment time may be limited at the Chair's discretion.)

- 12. Texas EMS Trauma Acute Care Foundation (TETAF) report
- 13. Final public comments
- 14. Announcements
- 15. Next meeting dates
- 16. Adjournment - Alan Tyroch, MD, Chair

Public Comment: The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments on topics related to Emergency Health Care. Public members are encouraged to participate in this process by providing written public comments to DSHS by emailing deidra.lee@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 PM, February 27, 2025. Please include your name and either the organization you represent or that you will speak 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 an indication that you are speaking as a private citizen), and your direct phone number.

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