



AGENDA

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

Thursday, March 6, 2025

9:00 AM – 10:30 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.

EMS Education Committee Chair: Macara Trusty, LP

Council Liaison: Taylor Ratcliff, MD

DSHS: Mattie Mendoza, EMS Education Specialist, and Joseph Schmider, State EMS Director

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 of November 2024 Meeting Minutes – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
6. GETAC chair announcements – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair
7. EMS/Trauma Systems update – Jorie Klein, MSN, MHA, BSN, RN, EMS/Trauma Systems Director; Joseph Schmider, State EMS Director

Discussion and possible action on the following items:

8. Open Enrollment Paramedic Program update
 - a. Open Enrollment Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) Program

9. 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 EMS Instructor Certification
10. High School Guidance Document Workgroup – Terri King
11. Mentor Program Development Workgroup – Diedra Blankenship
12. General public comment – *Comment time may be limited at the Chair's discretion.*
13. Summary of action items to present at RAC meeting– Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
14. Summary of action items to present at GETAC meeting – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
15. Announcements – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
16. Review and list agenda items for the next meeting – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
17. Next meeting date – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair
18. Adjournment – Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

Public Comment: The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) welcomes public comments pertaining to topics related to Emergency Health Care. Members of the public 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 28, 2025.

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, February 28, 2025, and include the name of the person commenting.

Note: These procedures may be revised at the discretion of DSHS.

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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