



## AGENDA

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

Thursday, August 22, 2024

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

DoubleTree by Hilton Austin, Phoenix Central Ballroom

6505 N Interstate 35

Austin, TX 78752

*This meeting will be conducted live and virtually through Microsoft Teams.*

**Virtual meeting links are posted to the GETAC webpage at**  
[www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council](http://www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council).

Macara Trusty, LP, Chair

Taylor Ratcliff, MD, Council Liaisons Mattie Mendoza,

Joseph Schmider, DSHS

1. Call to Order – Christopher Nations, LP, Vice Chair
2. Roll Call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements – Chris Nations LP, Vice 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 – Christopher Nations, LP, Vice Chair

**EMS Education Committee 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 June Meeting Minutes – Christopher Nations, LP, Vice Chair
6. GETAC Chair comments – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair
7. EMS/Trauma Systems Update
  - a. Trauma Rules Project, Title 25 Chapter 157, concerning Emergency Medical Care – Jorie Klein, MSN, MHA, BSN, RN, EMS/Trauma Systems Director
  - b. EMS Rules: Title 25 Chapter 157, concerning Dialysis Transport, 157.11 Draft Dialysis Rules – Joseph Schmider, State EMS Director

**Discussion and possible action on the following items:**

8. Texas System Performance Improvement (PI) Plan and PI Task Force Update – Kate Remick, MD, Chair
9. Open Enrollment Paramedic Program Update
  - a. Open Enrollment Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) Program
10. Review EMS education requirements from Texas Administrative Code, Title 25, Chapter 157, Subchapter C. Emergency Medical Services Training and Course Approval for all levels of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel.
  - a. 157.32 EMS Education & Course Approval
  - b. 157.34 Recertification
  - c. 157.38 Continuing Education
  - d. 157.43 Course Coordinator Certification
  - e. 157.44 EMS Instructor Certification
11. Driver safety education, defensive driving, and the use of lights/sirens – Farris Nation
12. General Public Comment – Comment time may be limited at the Chair's discretion.
13. Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report – Chris Nations LP, Vice Chair
14. Announcements – Chris Nations LP, Vice Chair
15. Review and list agenda items for the next meeting – Chris Nations LP, Vice Chair
16. Next meeting date – Chris Nations LP, Vice Chair
17. Adjournment – Chris Nations LP, Vice 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](mailto:deidra.lee@dshs.texas.gov) no later than 5:00 PM, August 16, 2024.

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, August 16, 2024, 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](mailto:Jorie.Klein@dshs.texas.gov).

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