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

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

1:00 PM– 2:30 PM

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.

Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair

Gerad Troutman, MD, Sharon Malone, MD, Taylor Ratcliff, MD, Council Liaisons
Jorie Klein, RN, Joseph Schmider, DSHS

Call to Order/Roll Call – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements – Heidi Abraham, 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.

GETAC EMS Medical Directors Committee Statement of Purpose:

The purpose of the Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council's EMS Medical Directors Committee is to promote a robust, responsive, flexible emergency healthcare system that is based on evidence, quality, and safety by board certified EMS physicians with appropriate authority, compensation, and oversight of all actions of the emergency healthcare system.

Review and approval of November 2022 meeting minutes – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair

GETAC Chair comments – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair

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 – Committee Members

1. Update on the GETAC Strategic Plan – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair
2. Discussion, review, and approval of potential single sentence statements on:
 - a. Need for additional statements – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair
3. Update on the Texas Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (TX-CARES) – Micah Panczyk/Jeff Jarvis, MD
4. Update on development of methods to provide financial support for medical direction resource document – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair
5. Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) State Partnership update – Sam Vance, LP
6. Emergency Triage, Treat, and Transport (ET3) Update – Gerad Troutman, MD
7. RAC Self-Assessment Discussion and Recommendations
8. Trauma System Performance Improvement Plan Discussion and Recommendations
9. Pediatric Trauma System Assessment Score Discussion and Recommendations
10. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve EMS medical direction in Texas – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair

General Public Comment – *Comment time may be limited at Chair's discretion.*

Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report – Committee Members

Announcements – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair

Review and list agenda items for next meeting – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair

Next meeting date – Heidi Abraham, MD, Chair

Adjournment – Heidi Abraham, MD, 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 comment to DSHS by emailing Jorie.Klein@dshs.texas.gov no later than 5:00 PM, March 1, 2023. 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 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 no later than 5:00 PM, March 1, 2023, and include the name of the person who will be commenting.

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