



AGENDA

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

Wednesday, August 21, 2024

10:30 AM – 12:00 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.

Christi Thornhill, RN, DNP, Chair
Cassie Potvin, RN, Kate Remick, MD, Council Liaisons
Jorie Klein, RN, DSHS

1. Call to Order – Christi Thornhill, RN, DNP, Chair
2. Roll Call – DSHS Staff
3. Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements – Christi Thornhill, RN, DNP, Chair
4. **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.
5. Reading of the GETAC Pediatric Committee Statement of Purpose – Christi Thornhill, RN, DNP, Chair
6. **Pediatric Committee's Statement of Purpose:** To work collaboratively with entities involved in prehospital and emergency pediatric care, to promote pediatric injury and illness prevention, and to improve the outcomes of our vulnerable

pediatric patients by developing evidenced-based strategies for high-quality practice in order to deliver safe, compassionate, and effective care.

7. Review and Approval of March and June 2024 Meeting Minutes – Belinda Waters, RN, Vice-Chair
8. GETAC Chair comments – Alan Tyroch, MD, GETAC Chair
9. 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:

10. Texas System Performance Improvement (PI) Plan and PI Task Force Update – Kate Remick, MD, Chair
11. 2024 Committee Priorities
12. Committee liaison assignments and reports:
 - a. Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport – Tabitha Selvester, RN
 - b. Emergency Medical Services – Sam Vance, LP
 - c. EMS Education – Charles Jaquith, LP
 - d. Injury Prevention and Public Education – Sondie Epley, RN
 - e. EMS Medical Directors – Erin Lincoln, MD, EMT-P
 - f. Stroke – Crystal “Sophie” Bassham, RN
 - g. Trauma Systems – Belinda Waters, RN
 - h. Regional Advisory Council Chairs – Sally Snow, RN
 - i. Disaster Preparedness and Response – Crissie Richardson, RN
 - j. Cardiac Committee – Crystal “Sophie” Bassham, RN
13. Pediatric Simulation Taskforce Update – Belinda Waters, RN, Vice-Chair
14. Texas EMS for Children (EMSC) Update – Sam Vance, LP
15. Update on “Stop the Bleed” training – Committee Members
16. Update on Pediatric Concussion/Head Injury Education initiative with GETAC Injury Prevention and Public Education Committee – Jessica Naiditch, MD
17. Update on Magnet/Battery Ingestion initiative with GETAC Injury Prevention and Public Education Committee – Tabitha Sylvester, RN

18. Update on Pediatric Stroke Protocols initiative with the GETAC Stroke Committee – Crystal “Sophie” Bassham, RN
19. Update on Sudden Cardiac Arrest/Death in School-aged Children data request- Christi Thornhill RN, DNP and Tabitha Selvester
20. Committee Resources Review-Christi Thornhill, RN, DNP
 - a. Child Physical Abuse (CPA) Screening/Management Toolkit-Christi Thornhill, Christine Reeves, and Sophie Bassham to review
 - b. Consideration for Pediatric Consultation and Transfer-Sally Snow, Sondi Epley, and Sam Vance to review
21. Update on Pediatric Readiness Preparedness and Simulation – Sally Snow, RN, and Kate Remick, MD
22. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve pediatric emergency healthcare in Texas – Christi Thornhill, RN, DNP
23. General Public Comment: *Comment time may be limited at the Chair’s discretion.*
24. Summary of action items for RAC meeting
25. Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report – Committee Members
26. Announcements – Belinda Waters, RN, Vice-Chair
27. Review and list agenda items for next meeting – Belinda Waters, RN, Vice-Chair
28. Next meeting date – Belinda Waters, RN, Vice-Chair
29. Adjournment – Belinda Waters, RN, 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 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 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.

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