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## AGENDA

### **Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee Meeting Department of State Health Services (DSHS)**

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

4:00 PM – 5:30 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](http://www.dshs.texas.gov/dshs-ems-trauma-systems/governors-ems-trauma-advisory-council).

Lynn Lail, RN, LP, Chair  
Shawn Salter, RN, and Danny Ramirez, EMT- P, Council Liaisons  
Jorie Klein, RN, Joseph Schmider, DSHS

Call to Order/Roll Call – Lynn Lail, RN, LP, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements – Lynn Lail, 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.***

Reading of the Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee's (AM&SCTC)  
Statement of Purpose – Lynn Lail, Chair

**AM&SCTC Statement of Purpose:**

***To collaborate with individuals and organizations to promote and enhance the overall safety, quality of service, and level of care to patients being treated and transported by air medical and specialty care transport providers.***

Review and approval of November 19, 2022, AM&SCTC meeting minutes – Lynn Lail, Chair

Introduction of the new committee members who have been selected to serve on the AM&SCTC – Lynn Lail, 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

1. Reports from AM&SCTC members assigned to attend other GETAC committee meetings – Committee Members
2. Discussion and review of a Safety Moment – Committee Members
3. Update from the Air Medical Incident Support Team (MIST) Taskforce – Jim Speier, NREMT-P
  - a. Critique of the Hurricane Harvey event and after-action items pertinent to the Air Medical MIST role
  - b. Collaboration with EMTF
  - c. Creation of a resource list
  - d. “Scheduled vs. Non-Scheduled” events
4. Update on the GETAC Strategic Plan as it pertains to the Air Medical and Specialty Care Transport Committee(AM & SCTC) in 2023 – Lynn Lail, Chair
5. Regional Advisory Council (RAC) Self-Assessment Discussion and Recommendations
6. Trauma System Performance Improvement Plan Discussion and Recommendations
7. Pediatric Trauma System Assessment Score Discussion and Recommendations
8. Review of current state legislation and its potential impact on air medical and specialty care transport in Texas – Lynn Lail, Chair
9. Discussion regarding ongoing review of 25 TAC Chapter 157, Emergency Medical Care Rules affecting the AM & SCTC Committee – Lynn Lail, Chair
10. Discussion, review, and recommendations for initiatives that instill a culture of safety for responders, caregivers, and the public with a focus on operations and safe driving practices – Committee Members

11. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve air medical and specialty care transport service provision in Texas – Lynn Lail, Chair

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

Summary of action items for GETAC meeting report – Committee Members

Announcements – Lynn Lail, Chair

Review and list agenda items for next meeting – Lynn Lail, Chair

Next meeting date – Lynn Lail, Chair

Adjournment – Lynn Lail, Chair

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