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## AGENDA

### EMS Medical Directors Committee Meeting Governor’s EMS and Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC)

Department of State Health Services (DSHS)  
The Westin Austin at The Domain  
11301 Domain Drive, Austin, Texas 78758  
Thursday, February 20, 2020  
1:00 P.M.

Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair  
Sharon Malone, MD, Taylor Ratcliff, MD, Council Liaisons  
Joseph Schmider, DSHS

Call to Order/Roll Call ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

Reading of the GETAC Vision and Mission Statements ..... Gerad Troutman, 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.***

Review and approval of November 2019 meeting minutes ... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

Introduction of new members ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

GETAC Chair comments ..... Robert Greenberg, MD, GETAC Chair

Discussion and possible action on the following items: ..... Committee Members

1. Update on suggested language for GETAC Strategic Plan supporting involved medical direction ..... Heidi Abraham, MD

2. Discussion, review, and approval of potential position statements:

A. Use of Ketamine ..... Sharon Malone, MD

B. Use of lights and sirens as a medical intervention ..... Jeff Jarvis, MD

C. Research Agenda ..... Robert Gerhardt, MD

D. Support for Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project ..... Catherine Remick, MD

- E. Cardiac Arrest as a reportable condition ..... Richard Bradley, MD
- F. Need for additional statements ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
- 3. Emergency Triage, Treat, and Transport (ET3) Update .... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
- 4. Update on development of methods to provide financial support for medical direction resource document ..... Craig Manifold, DO
- 5. Update on status of National EMS Quality Alliance (NEMSQA) Performance Measures ..... Jeff Jarvis, MD
- 6. Update on joint work group with EMS Medical Directors and EMS Committees to develop best practices and goals to assist and encourage EMS Medical Directors to become more involved with their agencies .....
- 7. Discussion of EMS personnel testing positive, but not demonstrating signs of being under the influence ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
- 8. Discussion of EMS personnel in medical treatment assistance programs ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
- 9. Discussion on development of a Statement of Purpose for the EMS Medical Directors Committee ..... Committee Members
- 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. Review the GETAC Strategic Plan for the Texas Emergency Healthcare System and determine if any additions, deletions, or corrections are in order .... Committee Members
- 12. Initiatives, programs, and potential research that might improve EMS medical direction in Texas ..... Gerad Troutman, 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 ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
- Review and list agenda items for next meeting ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
- Next meeting date ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair
- Adjournment ..... Gerad Troutman, MD, Chair

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