

**PEDIATRIC COMMITTEE
OF GOVERNOR'S EMS AND TRAUMA ADVISORY COUNCIL (GETAC)
OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES (DSHS)
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, May 14, 2015; 10:30am

Call to Order:

1. Roll call: Introductions of 3 new members: Laura Friend and Erin Lincoln and Sam Friend. Additional members present: Bonnie Hartstein, Charles Jaquith, Diana Kraus, Julie Lewis, Sally Snow, Verne Walker

2. Committee liaison reports:

a. Air Medical: Assigned to Julie Lewis.

b. EMS: Verne Walker. Rules revisions and recommendations, nothing specific to pediatrics.

c. Education: Charles Jaquith. Community care. Meeting in Corpus in conjunction with education summit: segments of education.

d. Injury Prevention: Diana Kraus. Summit meeting in Houston.

e. Medical Directors: Assigned to Sam Vance.

f. Stroke: Assigned to Erin Lincoln. Will meet today. No known pediatric issues.

g. Trauma Systems: Sally Snow. No pediatric issues at last meeting—reviewing rules.

h. Regional Advisory Council chairs: Assigned to Laura Friend.

i. Disaster planning: Bonnie Hartstein. Infectious diseases in disasters. EMSC disaster preparedness meeting. Rescheduled for 18th of May but may be archived on National Resource Center, EMS for children.

2. Update on Child Fatality Review Teams update (process of liaison selection): Amy Bailey not present. National effort for QI- Dell and TCH through CHAT sent two representatives. Will ask this QI effort be integrated into the next report.

3. National Pediatric Readiness Project: ENA member: 4 to 5 pilot states-ENA, AAP, ACEP member teams. Pediatric champion makes the most difference so working to identify pilot projects.

4. Pediatric Facility Recognition Program. Nationally HRSA established performance measure 2005 for establishing a program. Goal was for 2017. EMSC and NAESEMSO developed tool kit. Perinatal program presentation to talk about their model. Proposal for TETAF with justification in Texas—hope to collaborate with them for pediatric facilities surveys. Targeted dates for recognition program in 2017 so conference in fall (August or November). RAC comment: is this

voluntary or state regulation. Collin to follow up on state recognition but voluntary designation, Sam to distribute metrics verbiage.

5. EMS for Children State Partnership update: Sam Vance. National EMS Assessment. Slides attached as addendum: 81% participation in reassessment. Sample surveys of EMS agencies and first responder organizations. BLS and ALS increases in online medical direction in Texas at about national norms. Pediatric protocols also at national average for BLS and above for ALS. New NAEEMSO website contains guidelines from which protocols can be generated. Recommend equipment for BLS and ALS at national norms. Least frequently carried equipment: For both BLS and ALS: Mask for BVM-neonatal size bag only 75%. Suction catheters next most rare. Most common reason for not carrying: state does not require it. Any studies—University of Oregon. Where is that source of data? Sam to follow up, will submit slides. Next week is EMS week, Wednesday is EMS for Children day. Texas Emergency Medical Task Force Program following the 2008 Hurricane season—mobile ER to augment existing ER. CDC grants for the Infectious Diseases work. RN strike teams.

6. STEAR registry. Bonnie Hartstein. Most work related to transportation needs. 10-15% pediatric enrollment of all enrollees.

7. Update on pediatric transfer guidelines/interfacility transport-review draft document with revisions to be shared with other GETAC subcommittees. Sally Snow. Committees: Trauma, disaster, Med directors, EMS, Air medical

8. Trauma registry update. State update presented by Christopher Drucker. Reports available in the guidebook. DSHS website. Linked TXDOT crash data. First report: EMS runs, trauma hospitalizations, pediatric submersions. Second report: trauma hospitalizations, pediatric vs non-pediatric facilities, 2013.

9. GETAC strategic plan update. Macias. Request by Dr Eastridge for the pediatric specific concerns embedded in track version. Will complete by this evening.

10. Future agenda items: *Paramedicine scope for pediatrics*. Charles Jaquith and Lori from Dallas/Parkland to talk about best practices for pediatric scope. Sam Vance to inform that discussion.

11. Future meetings: August in Austin.