

DEEP EAST TEXAS REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

TRAUMA SERVICE AREA – H

PO BOX 190, LUFKIN, TEXAS 75902

• OFFICE (936) 639-0600

• www.detrac.org •

Angelina County
Nacogdoches County
Polk County
Sabine County
San Jacinto County
San Augustine County
Tyler County

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

January 8, 2025

MINUTES

Location: CHI St. Luke's Memorial Hospital – Lufkin, TX
(Zoom available to Medical Directors)

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Presiding: Scott Christopher, DETRAC Chair

1. **Call to Order- 5:04**

2. **Attendance – Review of Attendance Spreadsheet / Collection / Announcement of Proxies**

- Everyone in attendance introduced themselves. Each attendee signed in and a copy of the attendance record will be retained in the DETRAC office

3. **Introduction of Guests**

There were no guests in attendance for today's meeting

4. **Review / Approval of November 13, 2024 Minutes**

- Attendees reviewed the November minutes and motions were made to approve them as written. There were no oppositions.

5. **Review/Approval of Treasurers' Report**

♦ Grant Funding Report - (EMS County, EMS RAC, Sys&Dev, and Senate Bill 8)

- Carmen discussed all expenses made in each funding stream. Members received copies of the financial reports to review. Skip Straus and Jonathon Walker made motions to approve the minutes and there were no objections.

♦ Needs Assessment / Grant Review Round 1 –

- The deadline to submit a needs request form is February 28, 2025. All requests must include a quote for the items needed. A review meeting date will be determined soon.

6. **Sub- Committee Activities**

♦ Pre-Hospital – Jonathon Walker

- The Pre-Hospital Committee met today and discussed classes needed for EMS. There was a CE class given over anaphylaxis during this time for all EMS that attended. The group discussed Epi-pen training, wall times, and cold weather readiness.

♦ Hospital Acute Care – Max Iguess

- The Pre-Hospital Committee met today and reviewed the transfer data for each hospital. The group also looked over a case study.

♦ Perinatal / Maternal – Dr. Cognata

- Dr. Cognata was called out on an emergency during the meeting. Sondra Williams reported the information that was shared during the Executive Committee Meeting.

♦ Emergency Preparedness / HPP / North Corridor – Gary Litton / Stephen Bennett / Janay Yancey

- The North Corridor met today and discussed the new generator state initiative. Evan Voss with Generac was in attendance to provide information and answer questions.

♦ Physicians Advisory / QI- Scott Christopher

- Scott Christopher updated members on the recent changes to the GETAC systems PI.

♦ Education / Injury Prevention – AJ Rose

- AJ discussed upcoming courses including burn classes at Parkland and Medical Center Plano.

7. **Executive Committee Report – Sondra Williams**

- Sondra Williams reported topics covered during the Executive Committee Meeting.

8. **Texas EMS, Trauma & Acute Care Foundation Update – Scott Christopher**

- Scott Christopher discussed the legislative priorities for this session.

9. **Texas EMS Trauma Newsletter**

- The winter edition of the Texas EMS Trauma Newsletter is available on the DSHS website.

10. **Texas EMS & Trauma Registry Update**

- Members discussed recent trauma registry discrepancies.

11. **GETAC Meetings – November 23-25, 2024 (EMS Conference) in Fort Worth**

- Scott Christopher discussed notes from the November GETAC meetings. A copy of all notes is included in the agenda packet for members to review.

- Scott shared the outcome of the cornhole fundraiser held for the Texas EMS Hall of Honor
 -
12. **Trauma Center Designation Update / Announcements** – Hospital Representatives
 - Nacogdoches Memorial is in active pursuit
 - Woodland Heights is waiting on documentation from their recent survey. Everything seemed to go well.
 - Sabine County Hospital will be up for re-designation soon.
 13. **Stroke Center Designation Update / Announcements** – Hospital Representatives
 - HCA Conroe is now a Comprehensive Stroke Facility
 14. **Chest Pain Center Designation Update / Announcements** – Hospital Representatives
 - Nothing new to report
 15. **Perinatal / Maternal Systems Designation Update / Announcements** – Hospital Representatives
 - Nothing new to report
 16. **Pre-Hospital Provider Update / Announcement** – Agency Representative
 - Nothing new to report
 17. **Hospital Pediatric Readiness: Education Series (3rd Thurs 7a.m.)**
 - Scott Christopher will be visiting each hospital to conduct Pediatric Readiness Training. The Laerdal manikins have been delivered and will be disbursed to all hospitals and EMS this week.
 18. **Other Announcements**
 - There will be another TNCC course offered in May.
 - Open position at CHI Livingston
 19. **Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.