



# **East Texas Gulf Coast Regional Trauma Advisory Council**

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## **General Assembly Minutes December 9, 2025**

### **0830-0900 Sign-in / Welcome and Introductions**

- Call to order at 0905

### **0900-1030 Preparation for 2026 World Cup - Adam Lee and Brandy Ferguson, MD**

- Discuss surge and mass casualty as it relates to the FIFA world cup
- Coordinated surge and MCI preparedness
- Discuss lessons learned in previous MCIs
  - 39-day event
  - Houston has some larger audiences that may come due to the teams playing here
  - Dallas has a lot of high profile matches as well – this will impact the entire state
  - Hotels are already sold out in Houston
  - Higher incidence of SA and Trafficking historically during these events
  - First time where we will have intermingling of fans – other countries split the stadium down the middle with security in between
  - Estimated 300-500k population increase during this time
  - Houston is a base camp – teams can stay here and play here – We are slotted to potentially host one team which can bring fans that just want to say near the team
  - Fan Fest – Neighborhood block party – medical capability will be limited
  - Mile marches – on the day of every event – every team gathers and marches a minimum of one mile to go to the stadium (ETOH involved) – HPD will try to control – but has not historically worked in past events
  - Reminder that this is during hurricane season
  - Case studies related to FIFA events were presented by Dr. Ferguson

### **1030-1115 ESO Data Repository- Robin Garza and Jenny Wilson with ESO**

- Robin Garza – Trauma Repository
  - Provided an overview of the trauma repository
  - Designed with PI in mind
  - SaaS based environment
  - Provides real-time regional data for review/process improvement
  - Canned PI reports available with the ability to build your own reports
- Jenny Wilson – EMS Repository
  - Provided an overview of the EMS repository
  - Collection regardless of vendor and supports submission to 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor
  - Standardized data within the NEMSIS format



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- EMS has access to their specific agency data
- Allows for real time data validation
- Insights – Data Exporter – Snowflake Reader
  - Reporting capabilities of the repository was presented
  - All reports can be modified or you can build your own based on the needs of the region
  - Reports can be shared amongst users (all users across the nation)

### **1115-1145                    Lunch provided by ESO**

### **1145-1155                    Approve minutes from previous meeting**

- Motion to approve Dustin Lowe, seconded by Ian Bryant

### **1155-1205                    Finance Report**

- Membership dues \$12,550
  - Some dues were paid during the previous fiscal year
- EMS Grant for the County \$162,800
- EMS/RAC Grant for 2026 \$247,024
- System Development is \$ 84,476 (Continuing Education)
- Total revenue is \$507,032.76
- Expenses were presented \$84,218
  
- Motion to approve the financials: motion to approve Dustin Lowe by and seconded by Julie Lindsay. No further discussion and financials approved.

### **1205-1215                    Executive Report**

- GETAC report
  - Shared information about:
    - NEMSIS
    - Armbands for hospitals and EMS
    - Transfer times
    - Rural strokes
  - Community resources on their website (i.e. button batteries, rural stroke, teaching kids how to recognize stroke S/S)
  - Alyson encouraged others to sit in and listen (Teams link is on the GETAC website)
  - EMS
    - Senate bill 1818 – Allows for automatic provisional licenses held by military, veterans, or spouses so they can start immediately working in Texas while awaiting Texas licensing
    - HB 3000 – Rural ambulance grant (equipment and busses) Can only apply for one ambulance per county



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- Trauma
  - Trauma activation charges discussed
  - Transfers
    - GCS less than 9
    - Age specific hypotension (2 hours)
    - RAC data looks negative
- Acute Care
  - How are we training our dispatchers
- Disaster
  - Whole Blood
  - Armbands
  - MCI – Kerrville (pediatric MCIs and information dissemination for parents)
- Injury Prevention
  - STB
- Perinatal
- Other
- FY25 Annual RAC report is on the website
- Whole Blood Program (Kelly Sears)
  - RAC-R signed an agreement to join the regional WB program with them. Two other RACs have signed on as well - N&H
  - Next step is waiting for the contract from the state to receive funding
  - Equipment to be purchased (pods for blood dispensing and returning)
  - New contracts to be signed with Gulf Coast for EMS even if existing contracts have been signed. Moving to a regional contract.
- Regional Wristbands
  - Wristbands have been distributed, and they should be utilized on every patient coming into the hospital. 157.11 – it will be put in the EMS rules. This is slotted to go live August 2026
- GA Sign In and Committee – You MUST sign in to be counted for attendance.
- Professional Development forms
  - Revised to add # of CEs and the # you are planning on attending.
  - Submit CE certificates for reimbursement
- Progress for RAC self-assessment and OFIs
  - RAC PI Plan
    - Regional PI committee creation – completed
    - Update Regional PI Plan – Draft in place, final revisions done soon
    - Education of Membership (6/26)
    - Implementation of PI plan (8/26)
  - Collection measurement of data
    - Signed contract with ESO for regional data repository for trauma and EMS.
    - Implementation and Training to follow



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- Regional review of data at GA assembly meetings
- Injury Prevention
  - STB – please upload your attendance records
  - Future state we are looking at the SAIL instructor course and how to provide it for the RAC
- Upcoming educational opportunities
  - Trauma articles on the website
- Committee Reports – deferred due to schedule change

### **1215-1225 Corridor Reports**

- East Corridor Report
- Table top exercises will begin after January of 2026
- EMTF opportunities
  - Still working through the Kerrville search and recovery
  - Hosting regional EMTF groups
  - January 27<sup>th</sup> – San Antonio
  - February 4<sup>th</sup> – EMS Biocontainment and Infectious Disease Training
  - February 10<sup>th</sup> – Hospital Biocontainment and Infectious Disease Training
  - MCI Triage and Pulsara training in February – able to bring that to the RAC if needed.

### **1225-1230 Final Comments / Adjourn General Assembly**

**Adjourn at 1117 for lunch.**

### **1230-1400 Committee meetings**

*Meeting times are projected and may vary from the agenda.*