



Trauma & EMS Performance Improvement Committee Roster

The Trauma and EMS Performance Improvement (TEPI) Standing Committee was formed to assist the State Trauma Advisory Board, EMS Council, and Medical Direction Commission in carrying out the duties described in statute and rule relating to quality improvement of the State's EMS and Trauma System. This is accomplished by aiding the Bureau's Data and Quality Assurance Program in the development of guidelines, reports, and recommendations to the Statutory Councils. (Updated 11/18/2025v2)

1	Trauma Surgeon	Paul Dabrowski, MD
2	Representative of the Trauma Registry Users Group (TRUG)	Maria Salas, CSTR
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4	EMS Medical Director of a Premier EMS Agency	Vacant
5	Air Ambulance Premier EMS Agency Quality Improvement Officer	Barbara Stoltus, MSN, FNP-C
6	Ground Ambulance or First Responder Premier EMS Agency QI Officer (AEMS)	Corey Usher, EMCT-P
7	Ground Ambulance or First Responder Premier EMS Agency QI Officer (WACEMS)	Tom Flanagan, NRP
8	Ground Ambulance or First Responder Premier EMS Agency QI Officer (SAEMS)	Joseph Gulotta, BS, EMCT
9	Ground Ambulance or First Responder Premier EMS Agency QI Officer (NAEMS)	Danny McNeil, BSN, NREMT-P
10	EMS Researcher (AEMRC) / Chair	Josh Gaither, MD
11	Injury Researcher	Dale Woolridge, MD
12	Pediatric Representative (MD or RN) / Vice Chair	Carey Lewis, CPNP-AC/PC
13	Rehabilitation Specialist	Candyce Williams, MD
14	State-Designated Level I Trauma Center Trauma Program Manager	Laura Smith, DNP, RN, CEN
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19	Pre-hospital EMS Coordinator (WACEMS)	Heather Miller, BSN
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21	Pre-hospital EMS Coordinator (SAEMS)	Vacant
22	Pre-hospital EMS Coordinator (AEMS)	Alyson Welch
23	EMS Council Liaison	Stevy Merrill, MD
24	Medical Direction Commission Liaison	Julie Augenstein, MD
25	State Trauma Advisory Board Liaison	Shawn Bowker, RN, BSN