



It is with great pleasure that we announce the selection of Dr. Jose Cabanas as the Deputy Medical Director in the Office of the Medical Director for the City of Austin/Travis County EMS System.

Dr. Cabanas, is currently serving as the Deputy Medical Director for Wake County EMS and the Special Operations Medical Director for WakeMed Health and Hospitals, both in Raleigh, North Carolina. Prior to these positions he served as the Assistant Medical Director for Wake County EMS and Orange County EMS while he completed his EMS Fellowship with the University of North Carolina. He is also works clinically as an Attending Emergency Department Physician with Wake Emergency Physicians.

Dr. Cabanas EMS career spans more than 12 years, during which time he has held a wide variety of positions including EMS Communications specialist, General Operations Supervisor for Puerto Rico 911 Emergency Services in San Juan, the Aeromedical Flight Coordinator for Aeromed Services Corp and a Rescue/Paramedic with First Response EMS, also in San Juan. He later became the Vice President of Operations for First Response EMS where he served in that position until he began medical school.

Dr. Cabanas received his Doctor of Medicine with High Honors at Ross University School of Medicine in the West Indies and completed his Emergency Medicine residency at the University of Puerto Rico, San Juan. He completed an Internship in Health Policy in 2008 at George Washington University in Washington, DC and an EMS Fellowship at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is currently enrolled in a Master's of Public Health program at the University of North Carolina with a projected completion date of 2012.

Dr. Cabanas has an interest in prehospital research and has numerous publications on a variety of topics in EMS and Emergency Medicine. He has also been a primary author or co-author on several EMS and Medical textbooks.

Dr. Cabanas brings a wealth of research, clinical and EMS experience to our system and we are honored and happy that he chose to be a part of our system. His projected start date will be the first part of September.