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APPOINTMENT TO THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

On August 30, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom appointed Dr. Marc A. Gautreau, Kristin Thompson, and Curtis Brown to the Commission on Emergency Medical Services.

Marc A. Gautreau of San Francisco has been a Clinical Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine at Stanford University since 2017. He has been an Advisor at the California Fire Chiefs Association since 2019 and has been Medical Advisor at the San Jose Fire Department since 2017. He has been a consultant for the San Jose Police Department since 2019. Gautreau held several positions at the United States Department of Health and Human Services from 1997 to 2017, including Associate Supervising Deputy Chief Medical Officer for the National Disaster Medical System and the Regional Deputy Chief Medical Officer for the FEMA Region I, National Disaster Medical System, and Team Physicians for DMAT Massachusetts 2 at the National Disaster Medical System. He held several positions at the University of Massachusetts Medical School from 2002 to 2017, including Clinical Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, Instructor in Emergency Medicine, and Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine. Gautreau held several positions in the United States Air Force from 2000 to 2005, including Captain and Major. Gautreau earned a Medicinal Doctor degree from the Rosalind Franklin University of Health Sciences and Chicago Medical School. He earned a Master of Science in Applied Physiology at the University of Health Sciences and a Master of Business Administration from Clark University. Gautreau is a member of the National Association of EMS Physicians, Society for Academic Emergency Medicine, American College of Emergency Physicians, and Metropolitan Municipal Medical Directors Consortium.

Kristin Thompson of Huntington Beach has been EMS Division Chief for the Newport Beach Fire Department at the City of Newport Beach since 2015. She was an EMS Educator and EMS Manager at the City of Anaheim Fire Department from 2007 to 2015. Thompson held several positions at the University of California, Irvine’s Emergency Department from 1994 to 2007, including Registered Nurse, Mobile Intensive Care Nurse, Base Hospital Coordinator, and Change Nurse. She held several positions at the Hoag Memorial Hospital from 1988 to 1994, including Emergency Medical Technician and Staff Nurse. She is a member of the Cal Chiefs EMS Section South – Secretary, Orange County Fire Chiefs Association, EMS Committee, EMS CQI Committee, California Fire Service Behavioral Health Taskforce, State Fire Training Cadre, Orange County Fire Service Mutual Aid Peer Support, Orange County EMS Transportation Committee, California Fire Service COVID and EMS Collaborative, Orange County
Drowning Prevention Task Force, Firefighter Cancer Prevention – Orange County, Firefighter Cancer Support Network, and the EMS Advisory Committee to the Orange County Medical Director.

Curtis Brown of Temecula has been the Assistant Region Chief at the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) since 2020, where he has held several positions since 1996, including Staff Chief, Assistant Chief, Battalion Chief, Training Captain, Fire Captain, Fire Apparatus Engineer. Brown was the Program Manager for the EMS Program at the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) from 2016 to 2020. Brown is a member of the California Behavioral Task Force on Behavioral Health, Cal Chiefs, International Association of Fire Chiefs, and International Association of Wildland Fire.

The Commission on Emergency Medical Services supports the role of EMS agencies to ensure that patients have adequate access to quality emergency medical services and ensure the long-term stability of these services. The Commission meets quarterly at locations throughout the state to advise the California Emergency Medical Services Authority Director and approve regulations, standards, and guidelines developed by EMSA. For more information about the Commission, please visit https://emsa.ca.gov/ems_commission/. This site will be updated as information becomes available.

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