



CAMTS UPDATE January – March 2023

Zoom Meeting Summaries

February 9 and February 16, 2023 (rolling agenda)

Executive Committee: Dr. Orr, Dr. Guyette, Mr. Sittig, Ms. Rush, Mr. A. Smith (Feb. 16 only)

Board Members Present: Mr. Sweeza, Ms. Corbett, Ms. Treadwell, Dr. Holleran, Dr. Stuhlmiller, Dr. O’Brien, Dr. Miller, Mr. Bowles, Dr. Chung, Mr. Gapinski (February 9 only), Mr. Onorato, Mr. House, Dr. Brunko, Dr. Cohen (February 9 only), Ms. Palmer (February 9 only) Dr. Reinhartz

Staff Present: Ms. Frazer, Ms. Eichel, Mr. D. Smith

Members & Liaison absent: Col. Cachuela

Call to Order: Dr. Orr called the meetings to order at 1600 hours on February 9 and February 16.

Executive Board Report.....Ms. Frazer

The Executive Board met on February 7, 2023 and interviewed Dr. Rob Holcomb who was recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) to be their CAMTS board representative. Dr. Holcomb currently directs Midwest Neonatal in Overland Park, an accredited neonatal-only service. Dr. Holcomb’s experience includes conducting national and international pediatric & neonatal critical care transports in the military and serving as immediate past Chair of the AAP’s Section on Transport Medicine. Dr. Holcomb is also the Chief Editor for the upcoming textbook 5th Edition: “Guidelines for Air and Ground Transport of Neonatal & Pediatric Patients”. Dr. Holcomb was unanimously accepted as the new AAP representative.

The Executive Board voted to withdraw accreditation from a service that reported they experienced resignations from key managers and were currently not in service.

I. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS’ REPORTS:

Ms. Frazer

- Annual Reports for 2022 are combined for CAMTS and CAMTS Global. These reports along with annual dues letters and invoices will be sent to board members and member organizations. For the public at large, the annual reports can also be accessed on both websites.

Mr. D. Smith

Mr. D. Smith gave an update on the Site Surveyor training that was conducted January 27-29 in Dallas at Airbus Headquarters. Ms. Frazer, Ms. Eichel and Ms. Palmer joined Mr. Smith as faculty. Airborne Public Safety Association (APSA) auditors also joined for part of their training. Several pilots and two attendees with specific Mobile Integrated Health experience attended this class that is conducted approximately every two- three years, as needs arise.

Congratulations to the following nurses, paramedic, physician, and pilots who successfully completed the three-day class:

Mary Ahlers, RN (MIH)
Debbie Bordeaux, RN
Matt Handley, RN
Bill Irland, Pilot
Kevin Kleinschmidt, RN
Nathan Lepp, MD
Gene McDaniel, Pilot
David Miller, Paramedic (MIH)
Amanda Ostrander, RN
Brian Thomas, Pilot
Sean Williams, Pilot
Donna York, RN

Mr. D. Smith stated applications are now available on the CAMTS website for MIH accreditation and we are expecting several applicants for this new accreditation type in 2023.

Mr. Smith also summarized the upcoming activities and conferences:

March 6-9 Heli-Expo in Atlanta
March 14 – MIH Summit – “Preparing for Accreditation” workshop
March 15-17 – Atrium Health MIH Summit
April 14-15, 2023 – Board meeting in Denver
April 17-19, 2023 – CCTMC – CAMTS is an exhibitor and Ms. Eichel will be available for questions about the standards and accreditation.

Ms. J. Eichel

Ms. Eichel provided an update on the Ralph N. Rogers Award. Ms. Rebekah Thompson is the recipient of the award. Ms. Thompson is a Transport Nurse Manager for the Angel One service in Little Rock, Arkansas.

The Fundraiser for the Ralph N. Rogers Award will be a virtual reality headset. Tickets will be available online and at CCTMC in Denver April 17-19, 2023

Ms. Eichel gave a Zoom workshop entitled “CAMTS 12th Edition – Are You Ready?” on February 28, 2023. This open workshop was created by Dr. Tobin Miller, AACN Board member and Ms. Eichel and had over 200 participants. For those who missed the presentation, it is available on the camts.org website under the Resources tab.

Ms. Eichel spoke on March 2, 2023 at a virtual neonatal conference to discuss CAMTS with the neonatal, pediatric high risk OB attendees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Policy and Procedure Committee.....Ms. Frazer
The attorney reviewed board member agreements and disclosures and sites surveyor agreement that are signed biennially and added language regarding background checks.

B. Aviation Advisory Committee..... Mr. A. Smith
Mr. Ashley Smith will reschedule a meeting that was canceled on February 14th. In the meantime, Mr. A. Smith shared his review of the FAA’s NPRM regarding SMS and asked for feedback. Comments are due back to the FAA in April.

C. Education Committee.....Ms. Eichel / Dr. Holleran
The current Education Matrix that is referenced in the 12th Edition Accreditation Standards is available on the CAMTS website under Resources.

D. Quality Management.....Ms. Eichel
The 2022 Annual Quality Management report will be posted on the website by the end of March 2023.

II. ACCREDITATION DELIBERATIONS.....The Board

The board entered Executive Session and Dr. Guyette reviewed our Mission Statement, Vision, and Values, as well as the rules of conduct for program deliberations, meeting attendance, and conduct.

There were 6 board accreditation deliberations that resulted in 4 Full Accreditations as listed below, 1 Provisional Action and 1 Intent to Suspend.

CAMTS Reaccreditations

- Air Center - A Special Operations Headquartered in Burleston, TX
- Air Methods, Northeast – A Rotorwing and Fixed Wing service headquartered in NY
- Halo Flight - A Rotorwing service in Corpus Christie, TX
- UCHealth LifeLine - A Rotorwing and Fixed Wing service headquartered in Colorado

III. CAMTS GLOBAL BOARD

The CAMTS Global Board met in December 2022. Meeting minutes can be found in the Annual Report on the www.camtsglobal.org website

NEXT Board meeting – The CAMTS Board will meet prior to the CCMTC conference in Denver on April 14 and 15, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eileen Frazer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E".

Eileen Frazer, RN, CMTE
Executive Director