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CALSTAR's COMPANY-WIDE STAND-DOWN EMPHASIZES CULTURE OF SAFETY

McClellan, Calif. – California Shock Trauma Air Rescue (CALSTAR), the largest nonprofit air ambulance service on the West Coast, will hold a mandatory safety stand-down meeting for all employees on August 4 at the organization's McClellan Park headquarters in Sacramento.

CALSTAR, which has a 25-year injury-free record, will use the day to build on its industry-leading culture of safety, reinforce its core values, and provide an opportunity for its staff of more than 230 pilots, flight nurses, maintenance technicians, communication specialists and administrative personnel to interact on safety concepts and practices.

“We all know that in order to build on CALSTAR's legacy of safe operations for our patients and crews, we must exert a greater focus and energy to achieve even higher standards for safe, injury-free transports. I am looking forward to seeing all of our employees gathered at one location to renew our commitment to safety in all aspects of our work,” said Lynn D. Malmstrom, CALSTAR's president and chief executive officer.

The stand-down will include a keynote presentation by psychologist, aviator and industry safety expert, Jerry Cockrell, Ph.D., as well as a review of critical incidents and a Q&A session with CALSTAR leaders.

During the event, CALSTAR's eleven California and Northern Nevada bases will be manned by other air medical programs in their respective communities to minimize disruptions in emergency air ambulance services.

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