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### **Six New Members Named to National Child Passenger Safety Board**

Itasca, IL – The National Child Passenger Safety Board (NCPSB) is proud to announce the appointment of six new Board members in 2018.

Laura Dunn was appointed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to serve as the National NHTSA Representative. Dunn is a Highway Safety Specialist in the Office of Occupant Protection.

Randy Chhabra was elected as the board's Public Safety Fire/EMS Representative. Chhabra serves as Captain of Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services in Texas.

Jennifer Pelky was appointed as the Vehicle Manufacturer Representative. Pelky is a Senior Engineer for the Interior Safety Group at Toyota Motor North America Research and Development.

Lieutenant Lonny Haschel was elected as the Public Safety/Law Enforcement Representative. Haschel is a Public Information Officer with the Texas Department of Public Safety/Texas Highway Patrol where he has served for twenty-four years.

Mandi Seethaler of the Alaska Injury Prevention Center was elected as the Board's Injury Prevention/ Public Health Representative. Seethaler has served as the Statewide Child Passenger Safety Coordinator for the Alaska Highway Safety Office since 2015.

Michael Chappell was elected to serve as the Board's Child Passenger Safety Advocate. Chappell is a police officer in South Kingstown, Rhode Island, where he has served in the patrol division for twenty years.

Board members contribute technical information, research-based findings and insight from their diverse professional roles to provide oversight and maintenance of the quality, standardization

and relevance of the National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training Program curriculum. This curriculum is used throughout the United States to train child passenger safety (CPS) technicians and instructors to educate families and caregivers for the safe transportation of children.

For more about the new board members, please visit [www.cpsboard.org/learn-about-the-board](http://www.cpsboard.org/learn-about-the-board).

**About the National Child Passenger Safety Board**

The National Child Passenger Safety Board, managed by the National Safety Council, seeks to maintain the quality and integrity of the National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training Program. The program is used to train and certify child passenger safety technicians and instructors. For more information about child passenger safety or the National CPS Board, please visit [www.cpsboard.org](http://www.cpsboard.org).

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