
The October Priority Placement Tool has just been released. It can be viewed here. Additionally, a new On-the-Job (OJT) gating criteria report is available and can be viewed here. For all information regarding the National Centralized ERR (employee requested reassignment) Process Team (NCEPT), please see our page on the members side of the natca.org website.

National Training Initiative (NTI) Conducts National Joint Briefings

On March 18, 2020, the National Training Initiative (NTI) was suspended indefinitely due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. Recently, several national joint briefings were conducted, and on Aug. 9, 2021, the parties at the national level agreed to resume the expectations associated with the NTI.

Read more.

NEB Meeting Today in Cleveland

The National Executive Board (NEB) is meeting today, Sept. 30, in Cleveland. Check back for coverage in an upcoming report. Did you know? Minutes from all NEB meetings are available here
Finance Committee Hosts Training for Local Officers

The National Finance Committee (NFC) hosted a virtual training for both new and experienced local officers on Sept. 16 to review details on tracking locals’ finances and audit preparation. More than 65 members participated in the training, which also covered Department of Labor regulations, NATCA national guidelines, and recent updates to rules and regulations. The next NFC virtual training will be held Oct. 12 at 3 p.m. EDT. The NFC also offers NATCA members individual training for those who would like a more in-depth session or want the information tailored to their specific local. Learn more on the NFC webpage.

If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Gilmore at 985-969-1215 or RGilmore@natca.net.

National Airspace and Procedures Committee Makes Presentation to NSTLC

The National Airspace and Procedures Committee (NAPC) recently presented information to the NATCA Safety and Technology Leadership Council (NSTLC) on the need for National Airspace System-wide outreach and education on the correct application of ATC procedures (7110.65 rules) and instrument flight procedures (SIDs, STARs, airways, approaches, etc.). NAPC Chair and National Airspace Representative Josh Haviland (Seattle TRACON, S46) says, “there have been so many technical changes to instrument flight procedures over the past several years that a lot of staff support specialists, controllers, and managers are not certain whether some procedures are always being used correctly. Things like diverse vector areas (DVA) have become so confusing that folks just want to
know what the rules are, and lengthy answers are not helping. The information presented to the NSTLC included a wide range of information gaps identified by NAPC members, in addition to a few recommendations.

Read more.

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**NATCA ZHU Member Eric Avila Meets with Texas Congresswoman Lizzie Fletcher**

Houston Center (ZHU) member and Texas State Legislative Coordinator Eric Avila attended an event with Texas Congresswoman Lizzie Fletcher. "The event was very small to allow for COVID protocols and hosted at the National Democratic Club," said Avila. "It was a great opportunity to thank her for her continued support of NATCA." Despite the challenges we face, NATCAvists continue to do the vital work of advocating for our profession and educating our elected officials.

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**NATCA Academy Classes Canceled for November**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all in-person NATCA Academy courses for November have been canceled. We appreciate your patience and will continue to keep you posted about any upcoming courses. As well, you may continue to check the NATCA Academy page for updates.

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