

Melinda Moore Gottschalk, MPAS, PA-C, DFAAPA Director-at-Large

Melinda Moore Gottschalk, PA-C, MPAS, DFAAPA serves as director-at-large of the Board of Directors of the American Academy of PAs (AAPA). An active leader in the AAPA House of Delegates and the Texas Academy of PAs, she returned to the AAPA Board in 2017 after previously serving a two-year term.

Gottschalk currently practices in Neurology with a concentration in Headache Medicine at Baylor Scott & White Health in Round Rock, Texas. She has worked as a PA for 26 years in various specialties including neurology, orthopedics, sports medicine, pain management, and urgent care. She is the APP Hospitalist and Specialty Medicine Manager at Baylor Scott and White Health, Austin/Round Rock Division. She is passionate about the legislative process, promoting the PA profession, and increasing access to care for patients by granting PAs the authority to practice at the top of their license and experience.

Throughout her career, Gottschalk has served in multiple elected and appointed positions within the Texas Academy of PAs, including president, director-at-large, and legislative affairs chair, and the Texas PA Foundation. She was appointed by the Texas governor as the founding PA board member of the Texas Physician Health Program, and currently serves on the Texas PA regulatory board.

Gottschalk earned a Bachelor of Science and PA certificate from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, and her Master of PA Studies at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.