

## **Lt Gen (Ret) Paul K. Carlton Jr., MD, FACS**

Dr. Carlton currently serves as the Director of the Office of Homeland Security for the Texas A&M University System Health Science Center; he is a former Chief Medical Officer of the United States Air Force. Dr. Carlton received his BS in Life Sciences from the US Air Force Academy (1969) and his MD from the University of Colorado School of Medicine (1973). He completed his residency in General Surgery at Wilford Hall Medical Center (1973-1978). Dr. Carlton also received an Honorary ScD from the University of Colorado (2003). He has completed courses in Combat Casualty Care (C4, 1981); Advanced Trauma Life Support Instructor in Germany (1982-1999); Hospital Commander's Management (1985); Western Network Institute for Health Care Executives (1988); Advanced Cardiac Life Support Instructor (1993-current); and has a FAA Commercial Pilot License with Instrument, Multi, and Instructor Ratings.

Dr. Carlton is a member of the US Air Force Academy Graduates Association and the Air Force Society of Clinical Surgeons; he is also a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. His academic appointments include Clinical Professor of Surgery at the University of Texas Health Science Center and Clinical Professor of Surgery at the Uniformed Services Division of the University of Health Sciences Board of Governors. He has been awarded the Surgeon General's Award from the Air Force Society of Clinical Surgeons (1976, 1978); Air Force Commendation Medal; Meritorious Service Medal; Air Medal, Operation Desert Shield/Storm; Distinguished Service Medal; Airman's Medal (for lifesaving initiatives following the Pentagon attack on 9/11); and the Distinguished Community Service Award (for actions taken during Hurricane Rita). He is a Founding Member of the American Board of Physicians Specialties in Disaster Medicine. In addition to these achievements, Dr. Carlton has published 10 articles and delivered numerous professional presentations.