

# Media Release

**The Hon Mary-Anne Thomas MP**

Leader of the House

Minister for Health

Minister for Ambulance Services



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## NEW BOARD CHAIR FOR AMBULANCE VICTORIA

Andrew Crisp AM has been appointed as the next Board Chair of Ambulance Victoria.

Following a distinguished 45-year career in policing and emergency management, Mr Crisp joined the Ambulance Victoria board as a Director in June 2024 before his appointment as interim CEO in August.

Mr Crisp will continue as interim CEO until Monday, 30 June 2025 when Jordan Emery begins his tenure – joining from Ambulance Tasmania where he has contributed to a cultural transformation within the service.

His appointment comes as Victoria's hardworking paramedics continue to face high demand with more than 95,000 time critical 'lights and sirens' cases in the last quarter – equal to more than 1,000 cases every day and 31.8 per cent higher than pre-pandemic levels.

The Government also thanks the outgoing Board Chair Shelly Park for her dedicated service and leadership and wishes her well as she starts as Board Chair at the Royal Women's Hospital.

Ms Park's extensive experience has been instrumental in guiding Ambulance Victoria through a period of change and record demand.

Her work to build a new executive team and support a strong operational workforce is seeing response times continue to improve.

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Ambulance Services Mary-Anne Thomas

*"Andrew Crisp's deep understanding of emergency management, and his commitment to the workforce and community safety, will see him continue to play a significant role in the future of Ambulance Victoria."*

*"His strong leadership has been critical in helping the service navigate a challenging period over the past 10 months – his passion and wealth of knowledge have been invaluable."*

*"We also send our sincere thanks to Shelly Park whose experience and passion have been instrumental during her time as Board Chair – I look forward to seeing the great work she will do in her new role at the Women's."*