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**Angela Teckemeyer**  
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Angela Teckemeyer is a flight nurse and clinical base lead for Life Link III in Minnesota. Angela identified a significant challenge in the interpretation of POCUS images, recognizing that accuracy in this area was

pivotal to diagnose potentially lethal injuries and ensure patient safety. Her visionary idea to revamp the quality assurance process involved establishing a group of subject matter experts among flight clinicians, rather than relying solely on physicians. This innovation allowed for rapid feedback and critiques of POCUS images completed by flight clinicians. The accuracy of POCUS image interpretation increased from 69% in Q2 2022 to 98% in Q2 2023, a remarkable achievement that directly contributes to better patient outcomes. Angela's initiative has positively affected the use of POCUS in cardiac arrest cases with automated compression devices, improving from 82% in Q2 2022 to 94% in Q2 2023.