



The Emergency Health Services Federation (EHSF) in partnership with the EMS Leaders in South Central Pennsylvania value the professionalism and image within the EMS industry. To advance the image of EMS, the EHSF Prehospital Operations Committee and the South Central EMS Task Force (SCEMSTF) created a regional commendation awards program. The goal of this voluntary program is to create a uniform image for recognition. Some awards will be awarded by the EHSF while others will be provided by the County EMS Councils and EMS agencies.

### **Regional Awards**



#### **Medal of Valor**

A certified EMS provider in the EHSF region who performs an exceptional valorous act, distinguished by extraordinary heroism or performance

*Awarded by the committee – EMS County Council Presidents*

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#### **25 Years of Service**

A certified EMS provider (EMSVO, EMR, EMT, Paramedic, PHRN, PHPE, and Prehospital EMS Physician) or 9-1-1 Communications Center Dispatcher in the EHSF region achieving 25 years or more of EMS Service.

*Awarded by the EHSF annually in May*

*One-time provider presentation award*



#### **SCTF (Strike) Team Member**

The EMS Task Force Coordinators within the EHSF region will be responsible for determining eligibility of this award



**Special Deployment Award**

Katrina Deployment



GUSTAV Deployment



H1N1 (2009)



Harrisburg Flood



Hurricane Sandy



**Awarded by County Council or Agency**



**Clinical Save**

A certified provider of the EHSF Region who was primarily involved in the prehospital clinical care of a patient based on the following:

- Patient presented or became pulseless and/or apneic to prehospital personnel;
- Appropriate ALS and/or BLS intervention and treatment were rendered; and
- Patient was transported to the hospital and subsequently discharged from the hospital without significant neurological impairment



**Prehospital Delivery**

The Prehospital Delivery commendation shall be presented to a certified EMS provider of the EHSF Region who assisted in the delivery of a baby in the field. The following needs to occur:

- Baby must actually be delivered by EMS personnel and prior to arrival at the hospital; and
- Recipient must actually have participated in assisting with patient care during the birth



### **Advanced Life Support Provider of the Year**

An AEMT, Paramedic, PHRN, PHPE, or Prehospital EMS Physician who is currently certified in the EHSF Region who made a significant contribution in any of the following:

- Education and training of prehospital care providers
- Planning and development of Advanced Life Support systems with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- Leadership in the advancement in prehospital care as an allied health profession
- Research in prehospital medicine
- Actively providing care at the ALS level (i.e. annual ALS skills verification)
- Leadership among peers



### **Basic Life Support Provider of the Year**

An EMR or EMT who is currently certified in the EHSF Region, who has made a significant contribution in any of the following:

- Education and training of prehospital care providers and/or the community
- Planning and development of Basic Life Support systems within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- Leadership in the advancement of prehospital emergency medical care as an allied health profession
- Research in prehospital medicine
- Actively providing care at the BLS level
- Leadership among peers



### **EMS Educator of the Year**

An EMS Instructor who is currently certified in the EHSF Region, who has made a significant contribution in any of the following:

- Leadership in the advancement of instructional techniques in the prehospital environment
- Administration of EMS educational or training programs (i.e., CPR, AED, injury prevention) for the community
- Actively participates in EMS classes and/or certification examinations



### **Distinguished Provider**

A member of the EHSF Region who has positively impacted the service or community through longevity of exceptional service

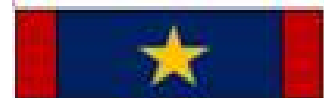


### **Meritorious Service Award**

A certified provider in the EHSF region who went above and beyond the call of duty during an atypical EMS incident

- A patient care report must be submitted with this award request to provide documentation of the clinical patient care provided in relation to an atypical EMS response (i.e. trench rescue, placental abruption, choking, entrapment, burns, etc.)

*Awarded by the committee – EMS County Council Presidents and the EHSF*



### **Excellence in Emergency Medical Dispatch**

A 9-1-1 Communications Center Dispatcher in the EHSF region who demonstrated exemplary service to a community member in need. This dispatcher provides professional and compassionate support on a daily basis or rose above the daily challenges and as a result made a difference in the patient's outcome