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MIEMSS Presents Annual EMS Awards

The annual Stars of Life and Right Care When It Counts awards ceremony was held in Annapolis during EMS Week (May 19–25) on May 22, 2019, a day also recognized statewide and nationally as EMS for Children Day. **Maryland Lt. Governor Boyd K. Rutherford** joined the celebration and presented two proclamations: one recognizing EMS Week and a second naming May 22 as EMS for Children Day. The Stars of Life and Right Care When It Counts award winners who are selected by a statewide committee of career, volunteer, and commercial EMS clinicians, were nominated by peers or a member of the public. The Stars of Life awards were presented by MIEMSS' Executive Director Dr. Ted Delbridge, and Maryland EMS Board Chair Clay Stamp. They were joined by the Associate State EMS Medical Director for Pediatrics Dr. Jennifer Anders and Maryland EMS for Children Program Director Cynthia Wright-Johnson for the Right Care When it Counts Awards. MIEMSS congratulates this year's award winners and salutes all of Maryland's outstanding EMS clinicians.



Maryland Lt. Governor Rutherford presents two Proclamations, one declaring May 19 – 25, 2019 as EMS Week and another naming May 22, 2019, EMS for Children Day in Maryland. From left, Lt. Governor Rutherford, MIEMSS Executive Director Dr. Ted Delbridge, Associate State EMS Medical Director for Pediatrics Dr. Jennifer F. Anders, Maryland EMS for Children Program Director Cynthia Wright-Johnson, EMS Board Chair Clay B. Stamp.

Maryland Star of Life Award

The Maryland Star of Life Award is given for an outstanding rescue under extreme circumstances. This year's recipients are **EMT Dana Insley; Fire Chief Lindsey Bradshaw; Larry Laird, Boat Captain; Volunteer FF Brian Corbin; Volunteer FF Casey Corbin; Volunteer FF Ronnie Corbin; Volunteer FF John Laird; Volunteer FF Margaret Evans; Volunteer FF Alan Smith; Volunteer FF Dustin Smith; Volunteer FF Lee Smith; Volunteer FF Daniel Smith; and Volunteer FF Dennis Clary.**

On the night of July 21, 2018, the weather conditions on Smith Island were treacherous. Winds were sustained at 30 knots, with gusts over 40 mph. At approximately 10:30 PM, a call was made to the Tylerton Fire Department to respond to a patient who was extremely short of breath. Eleven volunteer

firefighters responded to the call and arrived at the firehouse. Water was at the level of the sidewalk and the firefighters had to wade into the station. While on the way to the patient, the firefighters contemplated how they would get the patient off of the island to the hospital. Due to the high winds, the helicopter was not an option, and with rough seas, it didn't seem that a boat was an option either - but it was the only option. Once inside the house, they found the patient struggling to breathe. The patient was loaded onto the stretcher and as the ambulance made its way to the dock, the water in the road was white-capping. It took nine people to transfer the patient to the boat and carry all the equipment. The trip to the mainland by boat was extremely hazardous. Firefighters wedged themselves on either side of the gurney to keep it from overturning. The crew had an ambulance meet them at the dock and instructed them to bring additional oxygen. It took an hour to travel the ten miles to

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Crisfield, and the last bottle of oxygen ran out just as the boat came ashore. The patient was transported as a Priority 1, directly to Peninsula Regional Medical Center. Once at the hospital the patient was taken immediately to the Cath Lab, where she received three stents. It was a little past midnight, when the crew started back to Smith Island. The weather was even worse than when they had made the trip to Crisfield. They found refuge in the Coast Guard marina until the wind let up enough for them to finally return home around 5:00 AM. Despite such a dangerous trip under terrible conditions, the patient survived due to the extraordinary efforts made by these individuals.

Maryland EMS Citizen Award

The Maryland EMS Citizen Award was presented to **Eric Brumburgh, Megan Evans, Dr. Andrew Kovacs, and Murayah Nieves, RN**. On October 28th, 2018 Salisbury EMS was alerted for a subject that had fallen at the YMCA. A gentleman had collapsed in the locker room and a child ran for help. The YMCA staff, along with two YMCA members, called 9-1-1, began CPR, and attached an AED to the patient while awaiting EMS arrival. The AED was used to deliver defibrillation once, and upon arrival of EMS, the crew delivered an additional counter shock. The patient regained a pulse and was awake and talking to the crew as they pulled into the hospital. The patient was discharged a few days later. Thanks to the quick actions of these four citizens, the patient has made a full recovery and is able to continue his life. This call is an excellent example of how important early CPR and the use of an AED is to the chain of survival.

EMD of the Year

EMD Dispatcher Angela Puskarich received the EMD of the Year Award. On July 22, 2018, Dispatcher Puskarich processed a 9-1-1 call from a man that was trapped in a tree in high flood water. The call was from a deactivated cell phone that was only able to make an emergency call. It had no physical phone number to call back in the event that the call was disconnected. Dispatcher Puskarich immediately processed the call and it was dispatched. Emergency personnel initially could not locate the individual. She instructed the man to yell as loud as he could



Pictured from left to right: Clay Stamp, Chair, EMS Board, Missy Evans, Lindsey Bradshaw, Ronnie Corbin, Dennis Clary, Dana Insley, John Laird, (members from the Tylerton Fire Department), Dr. Ted Delbridge, MIEMSS Executive Director.



Pictured from left to right: Clay Stamp, Chair, EMS Board; Megan Evans; Eric Brumburgh; Dr. Ted Delbridge, MIEMSS Executive Director.

and to turn on his flashlight. When the fire department finally located the man, they were not able to make access due to a fast moving current. They requested additional support from the Harford County Swift Water Rescue Team. After mobilizing and arriving on scene, the Team was able to rescue the patient unharmed. Dispatcher Puskarich stayed on the line with the man for five hours while attempts were made to rescue him. Without her actions, the outcome of this event would not have been successful.

EMS Clinician of the Year

This year, there were two awardees for Clinician of the Year. The first was **EMS Lt. Jorge Alfaro** of the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department. During 2018, Jorge Alfaro put in a total of 2,518 hours at the Department's station. His total number of standby hours since joining the department totals 17,763 hours. While on standbys, he always helps members to improve their skills, espe-

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Upcoming Pediatric Education Opportunities

- June 16-19, 2019**
MSFA Convention
Risk Watch/Safe Kids Steps to Safety Interactive Stations
 Location: Convention Center, Ocean City, MD
 For information visit www.msfa.org
 To volunteer to assist with prevention activities please email riskwatch@msfa.org
- August 6-8, 2019**
School Health Interdisciplinary Program (SHIP) Conference
Theme: Advancing Innovation and Best Practices in School Health
 For more information visit:
<https://csmh.umaryland.edu/Conferences/School-Health-Interdisciplinary-Program/>
- August 10, 2019**
Pediatric EMS Symposium
 Location: Children's National Medical Center, Washington, DC
 Register online at <https://traumaburneducation.ticketleap.com/>

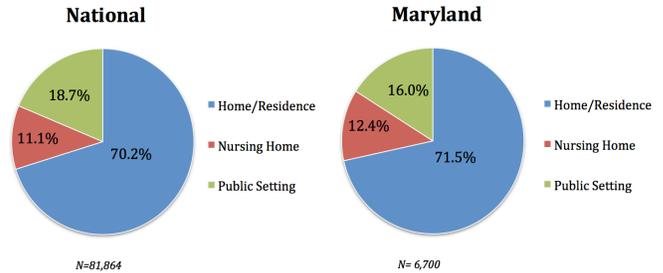
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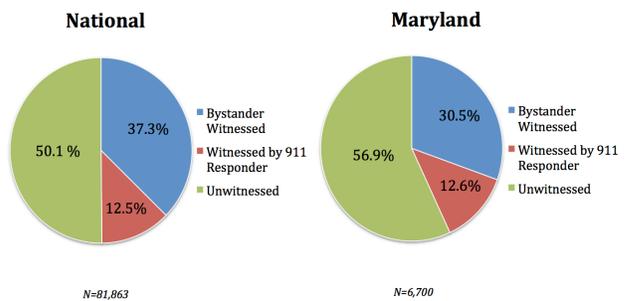
In Maryland, there were 6700 total non-traumatic sudden out-of-hospital cardiac arrests submitted to the CARES registry for Calendar Year 2018. National reports are now available on the CARES website: <https://mycares.net>.

Comparison of Maryland to National Statistics for CY 2018:

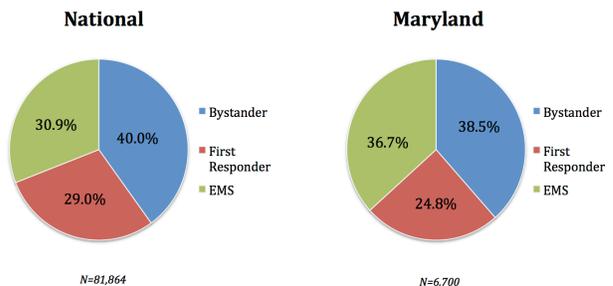
Location of Arrest



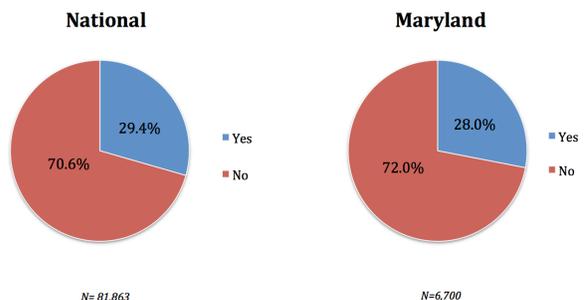
Arrest Witnessed Status



Who Initiated CPR?



Was an AED Applied (prior to EMS Arrival)?



2019 Educational Programs SAVE THE DATES

June 15-20, 2019
Maryland State Firemen's Association Annual Conference and Convention 2019
 Ocean City, Md.

September 20, 2019
PRMC Trauma Conference
 Ocean City, Md.

September 24, 2019
Mid Atlantic Life Safety Conference
 Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab Laurel, Md.

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cially new members. Jorge responded to 525 emergency calls in 2018. Over the last ten years, he has been the department's top responder. In October 2018, Jorge celebrated a milestone with his five thousandth emergency call. All of this dedicated time to his the community and Jorge has a family and full-time job. With a large Spanish speaking population in the City of Takoma Park, Jorge's fluency in Spanish allows him to work effectively within the community, especially on emergency calls. Once a month, Jorge assists in a radio talk show on Takoma Radio. The program operates in English and Spanish. Fellow Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department member Jim Jarboe does the English segment while Jorge facilitates the Spanish segment. Some of topics covered include fire and injury prevention, safety, smoke alarms, as well as questions and answers for the listeners. Jorge continues to participate in many of the department's community outreach events throughout the year. His commitment and dedication to the delivery EMS care, along with his prevention efforts are extremely commendable.

The second awardee for EMS Clinician of the Year was **FF/EMT Donald R. Johnson**. He joined the Odenton Volunteer Fire Company (OVFC) in January 2015, after retiring from the U.S. Army. In 2018, he made 194 ambulance calls, the most of any OVFC member, and 69 fire calls. He is known for his maturity, confidence, and professionalism while providing patients with the best possible medical care. He is continuously complimented on his excellent rapport with patients and his ability to comfort them in their most stressful moments, while at the same time exhibiting exceptional abilities as an EMT. Don also serves as a preceptor for EMT students. He helps prepare new members to become EMTs by working with them and assisting in completing EMT training requirements. He is also a trainer for new drivers once they complete the Emergency Vehicle Operators Course. He ensures that the new drivers operate safely, understand the obligations of being an emergency driver, and realize their responsibility to the crew, the patient, and the general public. Don exemplifies the highest standards in EMS service through his steady leadership, continual self-improvement, and valuable service to the community.

Leon W. Hayes Award for Excellence in EMS

This year **Chief Donald R. Howell** was the recipient of the Leon W. Hayes Award for Excellence in EMS. This award is given to individual who has devoted a lifetime of dedication and commitment to excellent patient care, compassion and respect for all patients, and continuous improvement of the Maryland EMS System through their professional and personal life. Donald R. Howell, retired Battalion Chief from the Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services, has dedicated over 50 years to emergency medical services in Maryland. Don is recognized as a pioneer in EMS, not only in Howard County but throughout Maryland. He is highly respected by his peers and he continues to serve as a role model for those around him. Don started his career in EMS as a volunteer at the Ellicott City Volunteer Fire Department in the 1960's. Over the next five decades, he has continually been active in promoting EMS and elevating the standards of patient care. Don constantly worked, and continues to work, to move EMS further into the forefront of the fire service. Chief Howell retired as the Executive Officer of Emergency Medical Services for the Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services in 1996 after 28 years of career service to the citizens of How-

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Pictured from left to right: Clay Stamp, Chair, EMS Board; EMD Angela Puskarich; Dr. Ted Delbridge, MIEMSS Executive Director.



Pictured from left to right: Clay Stamp, Chair, EMS Board; Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department Chief James Jarboe; EMS Lt. Jorge Alfaro; current Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department Chief Thomas Musgrove, Sr.; Dr. Ted Delbridge, MIEMSS Executive Director.



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ard County. He continues to teach EMS Programs and evaluate students as they test for their NREMT credentials. Chief Howell has served as a role model to EMS clinicians and instructors throughout the country. His leadership and influence has led countless individuals in all aspects of emergency service to expand their abilities and careers.

Right Care When It Counts Awards

For 16 years, the Maryland EMS for Children's Program has recognized children and youth from across Maryland who have learned about prevention and how to act when they see someone in need of help. Six young heroes received Right Care When It Counts awards for bravely taking action to help someone in need.

Amara Monroe

While home with her grandmother, Amara witnessed her grandmother fall down the steps. She immediately recognized the extent of the emergency and called 9-1-1. She was able to provide the needed information for help to be dispatched to her grandmother. Amara then proceeded to a neighbor's house in order to get additional adult help to her grandmother's side. The neighbor provided further information to the dispatcher and the call was upgraded. Amara gave the EMS crew the full story of what had occurred which greatly helped with medical treatment. The patient received prompt care and attention due to Amara's ability to recognize the emergency, activate the EMS system by calling 9-1-1, and stay extremely calm at a critical time. Amara bravely made the right call for help and made a difference during this frightening incident.

Taurian L. Jones-Duke

With his mom and dad at work and schools closed due to icy conditions, sixteen year old Taurian Jones-Duke knew it was his job to keep an eye on his sister and little brother. They were upstairs in the kitchen, joking, and cooking something for lunch. Suddenly he heard



Pictured from left to right: Clay Stamp, Chair, EMS Board, Cynthia Wright-Johnson, Director for the Maryland EMS for Children (EMSC) Program; Amara Monroe; Adam Miller, FF/NRP; Dr. Jennifer Anders, Associate State EMS Medical Director for Pediatrics; Dr. Ted Delbridge, MIEMSS Executive Director.



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some popping sounds and smelled smoke, which instantly concerned him. Seconds later he heard his sister scream and the smoke detector went off. Taurian sprinted up the stairs to find a smoke filled kitchen with flames shooting out of a cooking pan. He moved his sister and little brother aside and instructed them to get out of the house right away. Taurian then grabbed a pot holder to lift the pan off the stovetop. As he turned toward the sink, a strong wind rushed through the open door his siblings had just exited, splashing the boiling grease onto him and the floor. Taurian sustained deep third degree burns and was transported to the Pediatric Burn Center at the Johns Hopkins Children's Center. Despite all the pain and surgeries Taurian had to endure, he would do it over again to protect his brother and sister.

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James "Wyatt" Toulson

Early on Sunday, April 8, 2018 Wyatt and his father, who is a Firefighter/Paramedic and a tow truck driver, went to the middle of New York State to tow a truck for a friend. Wyatt often rode with his dad when he was towing vehicles. As his father was finishing the tow and securing the truck to return home, he caught his right hand in between two moving pieces of the truck, which caused a crush injury and partial amputation of two of his fingers. Wyatt immediately grabbed towels from the truck, while his father called 9-1-1. After giving his father the towels Wyatt put the rest of the equipment back in the truck, secured and locked it, while constantly checking to make sure his dad was okay. He picked up the glove with the tip of the fingers and gave it to the EMS clinicians to take with them to hospital. As the ambulance crew was loading his father, he called his aunt who is a nurse/paramedic, and very calmly stated that "We have a problem, dad has cut his fingers and may need stitches". He continued to periodically call to relay information to his aunt, remaining calm the entire time. His father required emergency surgery to repair his partially amputated finger and de-gloved finger. Wyatt remained with his dad, keeping him calm and reassured. Once his father got home, Wyatt was quick to offer to help change dressings or do whatever else he could do to help. Wyatt's quick thinking and actions likely saved his father from further injury.

LaTrelle Wiggins

Last December, nine year old LaTrelle was the only other student in the room with his teacher at the Mt. Hope/Nanjemoy Elementary School in Southern Maryland when one of his classmates had a seizure. While his teacher assisted the student, LaTrelle was asked to go find another teacher to help. LaTrelle walked across the hall and loudly and clearly asked for help. He led the other teacher to his classroom to assist in providing care to his friend. LaTrelle remained calm while understanding how important it was to help his teacher and his friend, and to keep himself safe while following directions under a stressful situation.



Pictured from left to right: Clay Stamp, Chair, EMS Board, Cynthia Wright-Johnson, Director for the Maryland EMS for Children (EMSC) Program; LaTrelle Wiggins; Dr. Jennifer Anders, Associate State EMS Medical Director for Pediatrics; Dr. Ted Delbridge, MIEMSS Executive Director.

Gabrielle Keener

On the evening of January 20, 2018, 12 year old Gabrielle called 9-1-1 to report that her grandfather was having trouble breathing. Based upon a clear description of what was happening, units from Prince Georges County EMS were dispatched. Upon arrival, the EMS clinicians found an unresponsive male with a pulse. Gabrielle was the only one on the scene and was able to provide pertinent information regarding her grandfather to the crew. Gabrielle remained calm during this stressful event. Her quick thinking and fast actions allowed for the medics to assess and treat her grandfather. He ultimately went into cardiac arrest and cardiopulmonary resuscitation efforts were administered. He regained his pulse and was transported to the hospital. Although he did not survive post arrest, Gabrielle was recognized for her quick thinking and heroism during this difficult time.

2019 EMS Week

The 45th annual National EMS Week was observed this year during May 19 - 25, 2019. In 1974, President Gerald Ford authorized EMS Week to celebrate EMS clinicians and the important work they do in our nation's communities. This observation ensures that the important contributions of EMS clinicians in their communities are fully celebrated and recognized. This year's EMS Week theme was EMS STRONG - "BEYOND the CALL." Governor Larry Hogan declared this week EMS Week and Wednesday, May 22 as EMS-C Day in Maryland with proclamations.

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BEYOND
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The Maryland-National Capital Emergency Response System (MDERS) Symposium

The Maryland-National Capital Emergency Response System hosted the Emergency Response Symposium: Multidisciplinary Response to Emergency Incidents on April 18, 2019. This event, hosted on an annual basis, is intended to bring lessons learned from national and international leaders who have responded to challenging incidents in order to provide lessons learned to the local Maryland emergency response community. The real-world experience, coupled with a different means of strategizing and operating, stimulates thought and paradigm shifts locally to optimize multiagency, multidisciplinary, and multijurisdictional approaches in the National Capital Region and beyond, supporting the mission of the Maryland Emergency Response System.

This year's event brought leaders from multiple disciplines that responded to the numerous 2017 terrorist attacks in the United Kingdom, each of which led to a mass casualty event. The Ariana Grande concert, London Bridge, and Westminster Bridge attacks were the topics for the

year. These attacks introduced vectors rarely seen in the US, such as mass stabbing attacks, improvised explosive devices, and vehicle ramming.

In the days preceding the Symposium, the presenters from the UK were introduced to Maryland and the broader National Capital Region. These activities included a trip to the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS). Personnel from the London Fire Brigade and London Ambulance Service met with Dr. Delbridge and Dr. Chizmar to review the Maryland System approach and discuss medical protocols. Following the MIEMSS briefing our guests completed a tour of the R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center.

The symposium opening remarks were delivered by Director Luke Hodgson. The Opening Key note address was presented by Jim Schwartz, Deputy County Administrator and former Fire Chief for

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ERS Director Luke Hodgson delivered opening remarks during the symposium.



Subject matter experts from the United Kingdom provided their perspective on responses to terrorist incidents



A post-symposium event occurred in which the panel experts answered questions in a smaller group setting. This session had several dozen local leaders from various disciplines in attendance. Each question was met with a comprehensive answer that included perspectives from all disciplines. The session was of great value to those that attended.



ERS staff members are pictured with the speakers representing a unique set of views from departments that are experienced, trained, and engaged in daily active terrorist threats. The lessons learned and direction from these subject matter experts are recommendations and are applicable locally to best protect our communities. Now is our time to take action at the local, county, and regional level. That action must incorporate direction from our elected officials, and key leaders to assess our capabilities, determine gaps, and allocate resources to meet needs.

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Arlington County, Virginia. Jim was the Incident Commander at the Pentagon on 9/11 and has since devoted his passion towards better preparing the NCR through collaboration across disciplines and jurisdictions. His message to the audience was to communicate with government leaders on a regular basis, collaborate with other agencies before the incident, and invest the time and effort to build relationships.

A group of subject matter experts from the United Kingdom provided the audience with an explanation of terrorist incidents that have occurred in the last five years. These events occurred thousands of miles away but the information presented and lessons learned can be applied in your community.

Mr. Brain Dillon provide a guided lecture about security, risk assessment, and critical incident management. Chief Inspector Scott Thorne of the London Metropolitan Police Service delivered information focused at the tactical personnel reviewing a series of high threat incidents and lessons learned in response. His direction was become familiar with all buildings in your area, preplan all buildings and know the ways, systems and obstacles into and out of the buildings, with focus on the basic skills.

Assistant Commissioner Graham Ellis of the London Fire Brigade delivered information from the fire suppression lens. His key points were to communicate with your law enforcement partners to share

information about tasks and activities that are critical for the fire service. Second, was to educate key leaders and elected officials about the resources required to maintain constant state of readiness. In closing, he stated the three ways that the fire service could reduce injury with active fire prevention programs, smoke detector installation, and requirement for home fire escape plans.

Ms. Pauline Cranmer is the Head of Emergency Care Services for the London Ambulance Service and offered her unique perspective and insights that local departments must include in planning. Ms. Cranmer described the Westminster terror attack, where a driver drove a car into a crowd killing and injuring people, then exited the vehicle to stab others. Her lessons learned include preparing crews to act swiftly in response to an unplanned event and calculate the resources required to assist local hospitals in response to the wave of injuries that arrive other than by ambulance. In closing, she emphasized the need to communicate the same message from police, fire, EMS, and other allied agencies.

The Maryland Emergency Response System is available to assist you with emergency response and capability building. Please contact Michael McAdams, Program Manager at Michael.mcadams@maryland.gov for additional information.

Carroll County Emergency Services Personnel Honored

On May 22, the second annual First Responders Appreciation Dinner was held at Carroll Community College's Conference Center. This program was a chance to thank emergency personnel for the lifesaving work they do for people battling addiction in Carroll County. The dinner was hosted by the Carroll County Opioid Coalition. Overdose survivors and those that respond to their care were brought together to recognize individuals who work so hard to save lives. Often times when a dispatcher receives a 9-1-1 call or an EMS clinician responds to an overdose call, they begin their work response to medical emergency situation. Once the patient is treated and delivered to the hospital, the two parties rarely connect again. This program provided the opportunity for emergency services personnel to be thanked by patients that survived. The program included the stories of two members of the community who are in recovery. The people that responded to their calls for help were in the audience. Captain Tom Kowalczyk of the Westminster Police Department, who is also a firefighter and paramedic, presented the community message. He played a key role in the formation and training of their Crisis Intervention Team. Lt. Marc Junkerman of the Harford County Sheriff's Office delivered the keynote address. During his presentation he reminded those in the audience to always remember to take care of themselves as they do their jobs caring for others on a daily basis.



Attendees listen to Keynote Speaker Lt. Marc Junkerman of the Harford County Sheriff's Office as reminds those in the audience to always remember to take care of themselves.

Dr. Carla Bailey Receives Legacy in Nursing Award for Maternal Child Health

During the 21st Annual Black History Celebration of Harriett R. Tubman's Legacy in Nursing Award ceremony, Carla Bailey, Ph.D., MHS, RN, the Director of Perinatal Programs at MIEMSS, received the Legacy in Nursing Award for Maternal Child Health. These were the Legacy Awards recognizing the Growth and Metamorphosis of Black Nurses in Maryland. Dr. Bailey has served the nursing profession for the past forty years in the area of high risk Obstetrics and Perinatology. After completing her Bachelor in Science in Nursing degree from the University of Maryland, she worked at the University where she became the Maternal Transport Coordinator for the Maryland Regional Maternal Transport Program for 13 years. She has been at MIEMSS since 1999. In her position, she processes the applications from the hospitals in Maryland requesting designation as a perinatal referral center and directs the site visit team in the designation process. Dr. Bailey has continually contributed to the maternal child health system at the policy and program development levels. She was appointed to the Maryland Commission on Infant Mortality Prevention and the Managed Care and Prenatal Health Committee for the Governor's Office for Children,

Youth, and Families. With her work interests, she has an appointment on the Special Projects Subcommittee of the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation. Her expertise has led her to participate in the Healthy Start Fetal and Infant Mortality Review of the Baltimore City Health Department and on the study of infant mortality for African Americans in Rural Communities. She has also served as Past President of the Maryland Perinatal Association. She has further demonstrated her commitment to improve the health and well-being of all as a member of the Board of Directors of the All Americans Relieving Adversity Ministry Association where she assisted with missionary ventures to Kenya providing medical supplies and basic needs, as well as in Mexico where she has assisted with the design and construction of medical facilities for prenatal and pediatric care. Dr. Bailey is the Board Chair of the Cedar Tree Academy in southwest Washington, DC. She is a breast cancer survivor and has served as an advisor for American Breast Cancer Foundation of Maryland. Throughout her nursing career Dr. Bailey has been dedicated to serving the needs of high risk infants and children in practice, policy development, and programs.



From left to right: Members of the MIEMSS Hospital Programs department Anna Aycok, Chief of Health Care Facilities & Special Programs; Dr. Carla Bailey, Director of Perinatal Programs; and Carole Mays, Director of Trauma Programs are pictured with the award.

National EMS Memorial Bike Ride Comes Through Maryland

The National EMS Memorial Bike Ride (NEMSMBR) traveled through Maryland on May 16, 2019 for a stop in Annapolis. The NEMSMBR is made up of EMS workers and support vehicles from around the country. They held a ceremony at the Maryland Fire-Rescue Services Memorial on May 17 to honor EMS clinicians killed in the Line of Duty. Dr. Ted Delbridge, MIEMSS Executive Director addressed the group and thanked them for their dedication in honoring and recognizing the fallen colleagues. A Proclamation from Governor Hogan declaring this day as NEMSMBR Day in Maryland was presented to the group. EMS bike riders from around the country participated as they observed the loss of fellow EMS personnel. The memorial ceremony included the reading of the names of those EMS clinicians that have given the ultimate sacrifice. The group then pedaled to National Harbor in Oxon Hill. On May 18, the National EMS Memorial Service closed out the 2019 Weekend of Honor at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center. The NEMSMBR East Coast Route began on May 11 in Boston and rode to National Harbor. A second group of riders, the Southern Route, began traveling on May 13 from Raleigh, North Carolina and ended at National Harbor where they met the East Coast group. There are several other routes traveling around the country to honor fallen EMS personnel throughout the summer. The Midwest Route, June 24-29, travels from St. Paul, Minnesota to Chicago, Illinois; the Colorado Route held July 22-26 travels from Snowmass, Colorado to Littleton, Colorado; and the final trip is the West Coast Route from September 23-28 from Reno, Nevada to San Francisco, California. Additional information on the NEMSMBR can be found at www.muddyangels.com.



NEMSMBR riders, support staff, and family members from the East coast and Southern routes meet at National Harbor on May 17 to begin the Weekend of Honor.



**15TH ANNUAL GALA
SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2019
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