



## AWARD RULES

1. All award nominations must be submitted on the appropriate enclosed nomination form. (Forms may be duplicated.)
2. Each nomination must be fully completed. (Typed or legibly hand written.)
3. Nominations must be signed by the nominator. To verify that the information being provided is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge.
4. A copy of the Pre-hospital Care Report (PCR) **MUST** be attached to each Lifesaving Award nomination. Other supporting documentation should be attached as well. If necessary, the patient's name may be deleted from the run report.
5. A maximum of **four (4)** persons per incident are eligible to receive a Lifesaving Award. These should be rescuers who were involved in **DIRECT** patient care. Any additional rescuers may be nominated for EMS Citations.
6. For a Lifesaving Award supporting documentation must be provided to substantiate that the patient was "completely" resuscitated. Documentation from the receiving hospital is preferred (i.e. Letter from Medical Director of Emergency Department – see enclosed.) A patient is considered to have been "completely" resuscitated when he or she is discharged from the hospital at pre-event functionality.
7. Nominations received after the deadline date will not be considered for the awards.

## SPECIAL NOTES

Each nomination submitted will be reviewed by the Awards Committee on an individual basis. If the above requirements are not met, or the nomination does not meet the criteria set for a specific award category, the Awards Committee reserves the right to disqualify such nominations.

Notification of the award recipients will be made, in writing, only to the nominator. The nominator will be responsible for contacting each award recipient with appropriate information regarding the ceremony.

The timeline for submissions is August 1, 2010 to December 31, 2011.



# Categories for the Westchester Regional EMS Council EMS Service Awards

## LIFESAVING AWARD

- Criteria To be awarded to EMS providers who, as primary care givers, displayed effective and appropriate medical treatment that resulted in the saving of a life. It must be documented that:
1. Patient was in respiratory arrest, cardiac arrest (medical or traumatic) and;
  2. **Patient was completely resuscitated, that is, his/her physical and mental capabilities were significantly restored to the level that existed prior to the illness/injury. Documentation from the treating hospital must be attached to the nomination verifying this information.**
- Eligibility Any individual involved in EMS who meets the criteria of a Life Saving Award above.
- Nominator Any administrative or operational officer from the agency with which the candidate is affiliated.

## EMS CITATION

- Criteria To be awarded to those individuals who materially assisted in the successful and expeditious provision of care that resulted in the Lifesaving Award being presented to the primary care givers.
- Eligibility Any individual involved in Emergency Medical Services who meets the above criteria.
- Nominator Any administrative or operational officer from the agency with which the candidate affiliates.

## EMD CITATION

- Criteria To be awarded to those individuals who, through emergency medical dispatch, assisted in the successful and expeditious provision of care that resulted in the Lifesaving Award being presented to the primary care givers.
- Eligibility Any individual involved in emergency dispatch who meets the above criteria.
- Nominator Any administrative or operational officer from the agency with which the candidate affiliates.

## MERITORIOUS SERVICE

- Criteria To be awarded to the emergency service providers or emergency dispatchers whose performance went "above and beyond" the call of duty in an effort to provide emergency medical care to a patient.
- Eligibility Any individual involved in Emergency Services (EMS, Fire, Police, Communications) who meets the above criteria.
- Nominator Any administrative or operational officer from the agency with which the candidate affiliates.

## UNIT CITATION

- Criteria To be awarded the emergency service organization(s) that has demonstrated a commitment to the betterment of prehospital emergency medical care. Possible examples would be:
1. The institution of new and innovative programs
  2. Participation in a Mass Casualty Incident, or another large scale emergency response effort
  3. Documented improvements in organizational statistics, i.e. response times, patient survival rates, etc.
- Eligibility Any emergency service organization in the Westchester Region providing EMS
- Nominator Any administrative or operational officer representing the EMS organization being nominated.