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2022 CT EMS Awards

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Connecticut Emergency Medical Services

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Announce 2022 CT EMS Award Recipients

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The Connecticut EMS Council of Regional Presidents announced the 2022 recipients of the Connecticut EMS Awards. **The Awards will be presented at the EMSPRO Conference, Foxwoods Resort Casino, on Thursday October 27th at 5:30 pm. The ceremony is open to the public and there is no cost to attend.**

The following Awards will be presented:

- **EMS Agency of the Year**- To recognize and commend an EMS Organization that has enhanced the understanding and support of the EMS System through their public service, community education and contributions to a city, town, region, or state.
 - **Recipient: Stratford EMS**
- **Volunteer of the Year Award**- To recognize and commend a volunteer for his/her dedication to the service of others in his/her community.
 - **Recipient: Deputy Chief Joseph Danao, Gardner Lake Fire Department**
- **Educator of the Year Award**- To recognize and commend an EMS Educator who excels as an instructor and/or has made a significant contribution to EMS through education.
 - **Recipient: Patrick Lahaza, Echo Hose Ambulance**
- **EMS Impact Award**- To recognize and commend an individual whose work has made a lasting and significant impact on EMS in Connecticut.
 - **Recipient: Deputy Chief Scott Martus, North Haven Fire Department (Ret.)**
- **Leadership in EMS Award**- To recognize and commend an individual that has made an impact on pre-hospital care. This individual devotes time beyond expectation to duties regarding the promotion of an EMS System, shows leadership in EMS, is a catalyst for measurably improving pre-hospital care and is pro-active in EMS related legislative initiatives.
 - **Recipient: Chief Michael Loiz, Stratford EMS**

- **Youth EMS Provider of the Year-** To recognize a member of the youth corps. They must be an EMR or EMT and have shown dedication and commitment to providing proper patient care. The individual should possess leadership skills and set the bar for other youth members to follow.
 - **Recipient- EMT Ryan Blake, Westport EMS**

- **Years of Service Recognition-**

○ 45 Years	Barry Kelly	Stratford EMS
○ 42 Years	Jay Paretsky	Westport EMS
○ 42 years	Pat Salvo	Newtown VAC/ Westport EMS
○ 40 Years	Judith Reynolds	Essex Ambulance
○ 40 Years	William Fitzmaurice	Hamden FD (ret) / SCCEMS Council
○ 35 Years	Betsy McComber	Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department
○ 35 Years	Sandra MacPherson	Westport EMS
○ 35 Years	Ben Frimmer	Westport EMS
○ 35 Years	Ron Wetmore	Milford Fire Department
○ 35 Years	William Borchers	Suffield Volunteer Ambulance Association
○ 20 Years	Kerri Cushing	Suffield Volunteer Ambulance Association

- **Last Call-**

○ Margaret Brennan	Monroe Volunteer EMS	02/13/20
○ Allison Bloom	Easton EMS	12/29/21
○ Roger Tiberio	Trumbull EMS	02/11/21
○ Joshua Kusek	KB Ambulance	01/03/22
○ Elaine Organek	Monroe Volunteer EMS	02/26/22
○ Derrick Donahue	Life Star	04/07/22
○ Mark Blake	Westport EMS	09/20/22