



**Chester County EMS Council, Inc.**  
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## Instructions for the Chester County EMS Council, Inc. Annual Awards Nominations

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### **CATEGORIES**

The Chester County EMS Council, Inc. will annually present awards to providers and citizens in and from Chester County at its Annual May Council Meeting.

Award categories are presented as follows:

#### **Margaret Hoover Brigham Award**

Criteria: The Margaret Hoover Brigham Award is presented in recognition of an individual's long term efforts in the development, leadership, promotion and advancement of the Chester County EMS system and / or the EMS Council.

#### **Medal of Valor**

Criteria: A member of the Chester County emergency services community who performs an exceptional valorous act, distinguished by extraordinary heroism or performance.

#### **Distinguished Provider Award**

Criteria: A member of the Chester County emergency services community who has positively impacted the service or community through longevity of exceptional service.

#### **Clinical Save Commendation**

Criteria: A member of the Chester County emergency services community who was primarily involved in the prehospital clinical save of a patient(s) based on the following criteria:

- Patient(s) initially presented to pre-hospital personnel pulseless and / or apneic,
- Appropriate ALS and/or BLS interventions and treatments were rendered,
- Patient was transported to the hospital and subsequently discharged from the hospital without significant neurological impairment.

#### **Life-Saving Clinical Excellence Commendation**

Criteria: A member of the Chester County emergency services community who was primarily involved in the saving of a life based on the following criteria:

- Patient(s) was in imminent danger of death,
- Appropriate ALS and/or BLS interventions and treatments were rendered,
- Patient was transported to the hospital and subsequently discharged from the hospital without physiological impairment.

## **Nicholas H. S. Campbell Meritorious Service Award-EMS Leadership Award**

Criteria: A The Meritorious Service Award shall be presented to personnel for exceptional contributions to the progress and improvement of the individual's EMS service; for significant personal achievement related to the EMS service; or for meritorious performance or dedication to the EMS service in general.

## **Pre-Hospital Delivery Commendation (Stork Award)**

Criteria: The Pre-hospital Delivery Commendation shall be presented to emergency services personnel who assist in the delivery of a baby in the field. The criteria shall be:

- Baby must actually be delivered by personnel and not prior to EMS arrival,
- Recipient must actually have participated in assisting with patient care during the birth.

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

Criteria: An Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, Paramedic, Pre-Hospital Registered Nurse, or Health Professional Physician who is currently certified in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, who has made a significant contribution in any of the following areas:

- Education and training of pre-hospital personnel and / or the community,
- Planning and development of Advanced Life Support systems with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
- Leadership in the advancement of pre-hospital emergency care as an allied health profession,
- Leadership in the advancement of existing Advanced Life Support systems'
- Research in pre-hospital medicine,
- Actively providing care at the advanced level (i.e., medical command authorization),
- Leadership among peers.

Eligibility: PA certified AEMT, Paramedic, PHRN, HP

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

Criteria: An Emergency Responder or Emergency Medical Technician who is currently certified in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, who has made a significant contribution in any of the following areas:

- Education and training of pre-hospital personnel and / or the community,
- Planning and development of Basic Life Support systems within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
- Leadership in the advancement of pre-hospital emergency care as an allied health profession,
- Research in pre-hospital medicine,
- Leadership in the advancement of existing Basic Life Support systems,
- Actively providing care at the basic level,
- Leadership among peers.

Eligibility: PA certified Emergency Responder or EMT.

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

Criteria: An EMS instructor who is currently certified in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, who has made a significant contribution in any of the following areas:

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

Eligibility: PA certified EMS Instructor

### **Distinguished Service Award**

Criteria: A Chester County Emergency Medical Services organization that displays a significant level of cooperation among other services, outstanding performance and effort when faced with adversity; or the promotion of an active display of teamwork, and support of various emergency services organizations in Chester County.

Eligibility: Chester County EMS or emergency services organization

### **Telecommunicator/Dispatcher of the Year**

Criteria: An active dispatcher who has made a significant contribution in any of the following areas:

- Active participation in the education and training of EMS and public personnel in the use, access or support of emergency 911 dispatch,
- Contributes in the planning and development of emergency dispatch systems and strategies with prehospital personnel,
- Excellence in management of a crisis situation which led to the improvement of an emergency response,
- Leadership among peers.

Eligibility: Employed at Chester County 9-1-1 Center or another County based emergency dispatch center

### **Citizens Award**

Criteria: A citizen not affiliated with any Chester County EMS or emergency services organization, who participates or assists an EMS service or personnel in a heroic or exemplary manner.

Eligibility: Citizen

### **Robert Thompson Memorial Award**

Criteria: This award was established to recognize the late Robert Thompson, former state senator and Chester County EMS Council, Inc. board member. The award recognizes a public elected official who has made significant contributions to the planning, development, implementation, or evaluation of EMS systems within their local community or the Commonwealth as a whole.

Eligibility: Recipients may be a state, county or municipal elected official who has worked to improve the quality and availability of any component of EMS or trauma care systems or who has spearheaded significant improvements to EMS in their community of the Commonwealth.

## **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Applications for these awards may be based on a pattern of activities that have culminated in a significant improvement of an Emergency Medical Services System in Chester County. The application may also be based on a single unusual event that was beyond ordinary duty. Each application must be clearly and completely documented to be considered. Where individual events are cited, they must be documented in detail giving times, places, description of event, names of witnesses, etc. **Nominations for the Clinical Save, Life Saving Clinical Excellence, and Pre-Hospital Delivery Commendations MUST be accompanied by a HIPPA compliant patient care report for each EMS agency involved. For EMS services, only those practitioners, documented on the patient care report will be eligible for the applicable Commendation.**

Applications for a pattern of activities must be all inclusive providing details of activities, dates and describing the specific impact that the individual has had on EMS in their region.

Applications recognizing a single event must be based on that event occurring during the current awards nomination cycle (i.e. March 1 – February 28).

All applications for the Chester County EMS Council Annual Awards must be submitted on the application provided (see below). **THE APPLICATION FORM MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED LEGIBLY** to be considered. All materials submitted will become the property of the Council, cannot be returned, and may be used in subsequent public announcements. Recipients in the “of the year” category will be submitted as nominees for the annual PEHSC awards.

Each individual can be considered for multiple awards annually and the nominees must be submitted to the Council by a Chester County emergency service agency, Medical Command Facility or 911 Communications Center. **EACH ORGANIZATION MAY SUBMIT ONLY ONE CANDIDATE IN EACH OF THE FOURTEEN CATEGORIES.**

- **NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 1st TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE COUNCIL.**
- **NOMINATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.**

The Council Awards Committee will choose the individual(s) to be recognized at the Annual Council Meeting (Banquet) in May.



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**Awards Nomination Form**

**Candidate's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Home mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's Credentials (certifications, etc.):** \_\_\_\_\_

Other Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMS Affiliations / Organizations**

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Role/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the category for which the applicant is being nominated (See awards description and criteria)

<input type="checkbox"/> ALS Provider of the Year	<input type="checkbox"/> EMS Educator of the Year	<input type="checkbox"/> Medal of Valor
<input type="checkbox"/> BLS Provider of the Year	<input type="checkbox"/> Margaret Hoover Brigham	<input type="checkbox"/> Telecommunicator / Dispatcher
<input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished Provider	<input type="checkbox"/> Nicholas H.S. Campbell	
<input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Meritorious Service/EMS Leadership	

Name of Person or Agency Submitting Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE COMPLETE REASONS FOR NOMINATION OF THIS CANDIDATE FOR THE AWARD (ON NEXT PAGE OR ON AN ATTACHED SHEET).**

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2017  
 APPLICATION MUST BE TYPEWRITTEN OR PRINTED**

**Please summarize the reason why this nominee should receive the award:**

**EMS Background:**

**Reason for award nomination:**

**Contribution / Impact to EMS:**



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___ Clinical Save	___ Life Saving Clinical Excellence	___ Pre-Hospital Delivery
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Candidate(s) Name:	Email:	Cert. Lvl.	Organization Aff.
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Name of Person or Agency Submitting Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENT:**


**PATIENT CARE REPORT MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH NOMINATION FORM!**  
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