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Division of EMS and Ohio ACEP to Host EMS Awards Ceremony

*Ceremony to highlight dedication and service of EMS providers during
National EMS Week*

WHAT:

The Ohio Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Medical Services will hold its second annual EMS Awards ceremony this week in conjunction with the Ohio Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians (Ohio ACEP) 13th annual *EMS Star of Life Awards* ceremony in celebration of National EMS Week (May 15-21).

WHO:

Department of Public Safety Assistant Director, Craig Mayton
Division of Emergency Medical Services Interim Executive Director, Ellen Owens
State Board of Emergency Medical Services, Jim Davis
State Medical Director, Carol Cunningham, M.D.
Ohio Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians, Laura Tiberi
EMS providers representing various agencies in Ohio

WHERE:

The Ohio Department of Transportation Auditorium
1980 W. Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43223

WHEN:

Wednesday, May 18, 9:00 a.m.

WHY:

Each day in Ohio, EMS providers save lives and perform countless acts of caring, kindness and service to their community. These awards are a tribute to those individuals and organizations whose overall contributions go beyond their basic duties and responsibilities and represent the finest traditions of their profession.

Throughout EMS Week (May 15-21), state and local planners will hold activities honoring paramedics, emergency medical technicians, first responders, firefighters and police. EMS providers also will educate the public about injury prevention, safety awareness and medical emergencies.

2011 Ohio EMS Awards recipients:

- EMT-Basic of the Year-- Dustin Ruehle, Findlay
- EMT-Intermediate of the Year--Roxanne Jones, Bowling Green
- EMT-Paramedic of the Year-- Randall Johann, Cincinnati,
- Emergency Medical Service of the Year-- Liberty Township Fire Department, Delaware County
- Volunteer Emergency Medical Service of the Year--Putnam County EMS
- Emergency Medical Services for Children Provider of the Year --Stephanie Bittner, EMT-P, Cincinnati
- EMS Medical Director of the Year --William "Randy" Marriott, MD., Dayton

The 2011 EMS Star of Life Awards recipients:

Region 1: Miami Township Fire & EMS and University Air Care
Region 2: Huber Heights Fire Division
Region 3: Bath Township Fire Department
Region 4: Citizen's Ambulance Service and Wakeman Fire District
Region 5: The Columbus Division of Fire Medic 18 2 Unit
Region 6: New Concord Fire Department
Region 7: Central Fire District
Region 8: Bath Fire Department
Region 9: Brooklyn Fire Department
Region 10: Western Reserve Joint Fire District

Frank Giampetro Distinguished EMS Educator Award recipient:

Scott Martin, Director of Paramedic Education and Emergency Management at Akron General Medical Center.

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