



October 5, 2020

Dear Colleagues:

The Monroe-Livingston Regional EMS Council Awards provide a great opportunity to recognize the special talents of our local Emergency Medical Service providers and the contributions they have made to the improvement of prehospital care. Recognizing the commitment and dedication of our region's professionals will not be possible without *your* help! Please consider submitting nominees for each category listed below, as defined by the New York State EMS Council Annual Awards criteria.

Members of the Monroe-Livingston Regional EMS Council will determine the annual award winners solely from the list of submitted candidates. In addition, local winners will be forwarded to the Awards Committee of the NYS EMS Council for consideration as a *statewide* award recipient from the Monroe-Livingston region. The NYS EMS Council Awards will be presented at the 2021 Vital Signs Conference.

This year we are seeking nominations for the following awards:

- BLS Provider of the Year
- ALS Provider of the Year
- Harriet C. Weber EMS Leadership
- EMS Educator of Excellence
- EMS Communication Specialist of the Year
- Registered Nurse of Excellence
- Physician of Excellence
- EMS Agency of the Year
- Excellence in EMS Quality and Safety
- Youth Provider of the Year
- Commissioner of Health's Award of Excellence in EMS Activities

In addition to these NYS-defined awards, we also seek nominations for two locally-defined recognition awards: The Genesee Valley STEP Lloyd Leve Award and the Richard "Dick" Tripp Community Service Award. Note that since these are local awards, they cannot be forwarded to the NYS EMS Council Awards Committee. Separate applications for these awards are attached. Winning recipients of all awards will be notified in advance of awards ceremonies, with the exception of the EMS Agency of the Year award.

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Submission of the enclosed "Application for the New York State EMS Council Annual Awards" is due by February 1, 2021. Please send all submissions to:

MLREMS PIER Committee
Attn: MLREMS Council Awards
601 Elmwood Avenue
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Applications may also be submitted via e-mail to: mlrems@mlrems.org. PLEASE USE THE ATTACHED FORMS ONLY. Application forms are also available on the MLREMS website at www.mlrems.org

Thank you for helping us recognize– and celebrate– the hard work of our distinguished professionals!

Deadline to return all nominations – February 1, 2021.

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. When is the due date for the nomination applications?
 - a. The absolute deadline is February 1, 2021. This year we are again extending the option of having our PIER committee review your submission and provide suggestions to help assist you best present your nominee. However, the earlier the application is submitted, the better chance you will have of utilizing this service.

2. Why should we submit applications for recognition awards?
 - a. Working as an EMS provider, we all encounter plenty of challenges on a daily basis. For us, it's simply "part of the job". However, few of us are fully aware of the significant impact we have in people's lives and the communities in which we live and work. Have you ever watched your partner, a colleague, an EMT/firefighter, a nurse or a doctor in awe of what they did or said? Or admired the dedication shown by someone's many years of volunteering and giving of themselves? Or listened to a dispatcher, wondering how difficult it must be for them to take the information to dispatch difficult calls and reassure people in their time of need? Recognizing the people that distinguish themselves through their contributions affords us an opportunity to bring attention to all the great work they are doing while also encouraging others to serve our communities to the best of our ability.

3. Why do I have to submit my nomination on a NYS form?
 - a. This is done so that we can automatically forward the awards on for consideration of the Statewide EMS awards.

4. Can a provider be submitted for an award more than one year in a row?
 - a. Yes

5. Can a provider be nominated by more than one agency?
 - a. Yes

6. Can I include information about the provider from other agencies?
 - a. Yes

7. If a provider does not win the regional award, will the nomination still get forwarded onto the State for consideration?

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- a. No, unfortunately the State will only accept one nomination per category. However, consider the simple fact that receiving a *nomination* for an award should be viewed as a significant accomplishment in and of itself!

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Criteria for Award Nominations

Applicants must either reside in our council area or have their primary employment in our council area.

Basic Life Support Provider of the Year

Criteria: Contribution by an individual to the community as a Certified First Responder (CFR) or Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). For dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill(s) or insight in the EMS environment.

Eligibility: NYS Certified CFR or EMT

Advanced Life Support Provider of the Year

Criteria: Contribution by an individual to the community as an advanced Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-I), EMT-Critical Care Technician (EMT-CC), or Paramedic (EMT-P). For dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill(s) or insight in the EMS environment.

Eligibility: NYS Certified EMT-I, EMT-CC, EMT-P

EMS Agency of the Year

Criteria: Any agency, which strives for consistency in EMS excellence and exhibits exemplary performance when providing or supporting prehospital emergency medical care.

Eligibility: A NYS EMS agency that includes, but is not limited to, an ambulance service, ALSFR agency, or BLSFR agency participating in their local EMS System.

EMS Leadership Award

Criteria: Longevity, innovation/dedication, responsibility, executive and management skills in establishing, maintaining, promoting or expanding EMS organizations, agencies or committees at the community and/or state level.

Eligibility: EMS Agency leader; local, county, regional, state EMS leader; medical/nursing or career EMS leader.

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EMS Educator of Excellence

Criteria: Individual who through outstanding teaching, educational administration/coordination, publication or research has significantly improved prehospital services at the local, county, regional, or state level.

Eligibility: EMS Educator or equivalent

EMS Communications Specialist of the Year

Criteria: Contributions to the EMS community as a call receiving operator, dispatcher or call taker who demonstrates outstanding dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, or special skill(s) or insight into prehospital communications.

Eligibility: Employee or volunteer with an organized dispatch center in New York State

Registered Professional Nurse of Excellence

Criteria: Contributions to the EMS community as a NYS professional Registered Nurse (RN) who demonstrates outstanding dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skills or insight in the prehospital environment.

Eligibility: New York State licensed Registered Nurse serving the EMS System

Physician of Excellence

Criteria: Contributions to the EMS community as a physician who demonstrates outstanding dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, special skills, or insight in the prehospital environment.

Eligibility: NYS licensed physician serving an EMS system

Excellence in EMS Quality and Safety

Criteria: The service must have implemented a practice or made a significant contribution that enhances the focus on the delivery of EMS in the community. The practice should lead to a

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measurable and sustained improvement in EMS provider safety, patient care quality and effectiveness, or efficiency of EMS Response or resource deployment. The application must include a program description, the methodology used to achieve change, a description of the outcomes and lessons learned that provide insight in to what it takes to accomplish and sustain a successful change. (Two honorable mention awards will also be selected.)

Eligibility: NYS based EMS service or individual provider

Youth Provider of the Year

Criteria: Contributions by an individual to the community as a Certified First Responder (CFR), or First Aid certified responder. For dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill(s) or insight in the EMS community.

Eligibility: NYS certified CFR or First Aid certified and affiliated with a first response agency (fire, EMS, police)

Commissioner of Health's Award of Excellence in EMS Activities

Criteria: Exceptional contribution to EMS activities by an individual in any way.

Eligibility: May be nominated for any other award in the same year. Need not be nominated by a regional council. This award may not be given every year. The Commissioner of Health will determine the process of selection. *Selection for this award will be made by the Commissioner. Nominations are welcome. Note: *This award is not a Monroe-Livingston Regional award.*

Questions should be directed to:

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Candidate's Name _____

Home Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

County _____ Phone (_____) _____

Credentials (Certifications, etc.)

RN MD/DO EMT # _____ Agency # _____

CFR EMT-B EMT-I EMT-CC EMT-P Instructor (Level) _____

Other Credentials _____

EMS Affiliation/Organizations

Name of Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Role/Title _____ Phone (_____) _____

Indicate the category for which the applicant is being nominated (See awards brochure description and criteria)

Basic Life Support Provider of the Year EMS Communications Specialist of the Year

Advanced Life Support Provider of the Year Excellence in EMS Quality and Safety

EMS Agency of the Year Registered Professional Nurse of Excellence

Youth Provider of the Year Physician of Excellence

Harriet C. Weber EMS Leadership Award Commissioner of Health's Award of Excellence

EMS Educator of Excellence

Reasons for Information

USE THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM ONLY.

Describe why candidate should receive this award. Applications must be typewritten to be considered.

Name of Person or Agency Submitting Nomination _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Work Phone (_____) _____

Regional Council Chairperson Approval _____
SIGNATURE

Regional Council Name _____

It is your responsibility to discuss this nomination with your candidate, for his/her acceptance.

Applications must be postmarked no later than May 1.

Application must be typewritten in a font no less than 12 points.

EMS Background

Reason for Award Nomination

Contribution/Impact to EMS

Applications must be postmarked no later than May 1.



**Genesee Valley STEP
Lloyd Leve Award Application**

This is an award presented by the Genesee Valley STEP Conference. All nominations received for this award will be forwarded to STEP for consideration.

Candidate background and information:

Name: Telephone: (h)

Address: (w)

Employer (Agency)

Address:

Credentials (Certifications):

Reasons for nomination: On the reverse sides of this form, describe why the candidate should receive this award.

- Qualifying characteristics: Caring, commitment, dedication, strong leadership skills, excellent communication skills, and/or teaching skills, creativity, ingenuity. Provide a brief narrative.
- Qualifying accomplishments: Summarize specific examples of what the candidate has done and its impact on EMS.

Please submit a brief specific description of the above criteria and how they relate to the award being given. USE THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM ONLY.

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**Monroe Livingston Regional Emergency Medical Services Council
Richard "Dick" Tripp Community Service Award Application**

Candidate background and information:

Name: Telephone: (h)

Address: (w)

Employer (Agency)

Address:

Credentials (Certifications):

Reasons for nomination: On the reverse sides of this form, describe why the candidate should receive this award.

- Qualifying characteristics: Caring, commitment, dedication, strong leadership skills, excellent communication skills, and/or teaching skills, creativity, ingenuity. Provide a brief narrative.
- Qualifying accomplishments: Summarize specific examples of what the candidate has done and its impact on EMS.

Please submit a brief specific description of the above criteria and how they relate to the award being given. **USE THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM ONLY.**

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**Monroe Livingston Regional Emergency Medical Services Council
Paramedic Rookie of the Year Award Application**

Candidate background and information:

Name: Telephone: (h)

Address: (w)

Employer (Agency)

Address:

Credentials (Certifications):

Reasons for nomination: On the reverse sides of this form, describe why the candidate should receive this award.

- Qualifying characteristics: Demonstrates clinical excellence beyond their years of experience, compassion towards patients and colleagues, and a dedication to continuous improvement. Provide a brief narrative.
- Qualifying criteria: An individual who demonstrates excellence in the performance of their duties as a clinician and colleague within their first two years as a Paramedic Provider, who is newly certified by New York State and has never before been certified as an Advanced Level Provider in any other state, province or country.

Please submit a brief specific description of the above criteria and how they relate to the award being given. **USE THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM ONLY.**

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