

## **2025 Ulster County EMS Awards Criteria**

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

Criteria:

Contributions by an individual to the community as an Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate (EMT-I), Advanced EMT (AEMT), EMT-Critical Care Technician (EMT-CC) or Paramedic (EMT-P). For dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill or insight in the EMS environment.

Eligibility:

NYS certified EMT-I, AEMT, EMT-CC, EMT-P.

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

Criteria:

Contributions by an individual to the community as a Certified First Responder (CFR) or as an EMT-Basic (EMT-B). For dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill or insight in the EMS environment.

Eligibility:

NYS certified CFR or EMT-B

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### **★ Registered Nurse of Excellence**

Criteria:

Contributions to the EMS community as a NYS Registered Professional Nurse. Dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill or insight in the prehospital environment.

Eligibility:

NYS licensed registered nurse serving the EMS System.

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### ★ Physician of Excellence

Criteria:

Contributions to the EMS community as a physician. Dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, special skill or insight in the prehospital environment.

Eligibility:

NYS licensed physician serving an EMS system.

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### ★ Youth Provider of the Year

Criteria:

Contributions by an individual less than 18 years old who serves the community as a certified first responder (CFR) or is First Aid certified. For dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, ingenuity, special skill or insight in the EMS community.

Eligibility:

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

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### ★ 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:

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

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### ★ **Ulster County EMS Coordinator Award (not a regional award)**

#### Eligibility:

The Ulster County Deputy Director of Emergency Services EMS Coordinator Award recognizes outstanding achievements and remarkable contributions made by EMS personnel within Ulster County. This award aims to honor an individual or agency who has demonstrated exceptional skills, professionalism, and dedication during an EMS call, resulting in a positive outcome. Nominations are accepted from EMS agency and first responder fire department agency members, and the award is bestowed upon the most deserving nominee for an extraordinary EMS call conducted during the year 2024.

#### Criteria:

The nominee must be an EMS or First Responder agency within Ulster County, NY. The nominated EMS call must have occurred within the calendar year of 2024. The EMS call must have resulted in a positive outcome, demonstrating exemplary performance and exceptional skill.

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### ★ **EMS Educator of Excellence**

#### Criteria:

An 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.

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### ★ EMS Communications Specialist of the Year

Criteria:

Contributions to the EMS community as a call receiving operator, dispatcher or call taker. Dedication, responsibility, professional behavior, or special skill or insight to prehospital communications.

Eligibility:

Employee or volunteer with an organized dispatch center in Ulster County.

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### ★ 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 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.

Eligibility:

Applicant is an Ulster County based EMS service or individual provider.

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### ★ Harriet C. Weber Leadership Award

Criteria:

An individual with longevity in the field of EMS, demonstrates dedication, leadership, responsibility, executive and management skills in establishing, maintaining, promoting or expanding EMS services. This individual is involved in committees at the local and/or state level and through their actions is seen as a leader in the EMS community

Eligibility:

An EMS Leader affiliated with a Ulster County based EMS agency

### **★ Combat Medic Award (Law Enforcement Officer, Not a Regional Award)**

#### **Criteria:**

This individual has gone above and beyond to assist EMS in their duties and has aided in a patient's positive outcome during a medical emergency.

#### **Eligibility:**

An Ulster County Law Enforcement Officer who responded to a medical emergency where his/her actions resulted in positive outcomes for the patient. Please note that a law enforcement officer does not have to be an EMS provider to be nominated. This is not a regional award.

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### **★ Unit Citation Awards (Not a Regional Award)**

#### **Criteria:**

This award will be given to an agency/unit (s) as a whole when a group of members or providers worked together to provide exceptional care, resulting in a positive outcome.

#### **Eligibility:**

Agency must be an Ulster County affiliated agency