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MAINE EMS AWARDS NOMINATIONS

During Emergency Medical Services Week (the third week of May), the Maine EMS Board recognizes leaders and outstanding contributors to the Maine EMS system.

Nominations are considered for the following categories:

Governor's Award: This award is conferred for exceptional contribution to the EMS system at the state, national, or system-wide level. The candidate should have demonstrated involvement and contribution in multiple areas of EMS activity (i.e., system development, education, administration, public education, quality/process improvement, etc.).

EMS Excellence Award: Conferred for contribution to the EMS system at the regional or state level. The candidate should have demonstrated involvement and significant contribution in one or more areas of EMS activity (i.e., system development, education, administration, public education, quality/process improvement, etc.).

Lifetime Achievement Award: This award is conferred for extensive involvement with EMS in Maine for at least 10 years, consistently performing above and beyond expectations in system development, patient care, service involvement, and/or community involvement.

EMS Merit Award: Conferred for contributions to the EMS system at the local or regional level. The candidate should have demonstrated involvement and contribution in one or more areas of EMS activity.



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On May 11, 2022, Board members Judy Gerrish and Katelyn Damon met with Members of the Maine EMS Office (Sam Hurley, Jason Oko, and Ashley Moody) to discuss this year’s nominees.

Award Category	Count of Awards
Governor’s Award	1
EMS Excellence Award	3
Lifetime Achievement Award	7
EMS Merit Award	7

Award Category	Recipients
Governor’s Award	Jonathan Powers
EMS Excellence Award	Rod Kohen, Lisa Bennett, Theresa Cousins
Lifetime Achievement Award	Catherine “Buzz” Masters, George Farris Jr., Margaret Houghton, Michael Hartford, Sylvia Hull, William Hesketh, John Kooistra
EMS Merit Award	Daniel Gahagan II, Gregory Payson, Josh Allen, William Miller, Zachery Apgar, Jackie Pelletier, Nicki Fowlie