



# The Wisconsin EMS Association

## Excellence in Service Awards Categories for the 2023 Year

WEMSA's Annual Excellence in Service Awards is a way for WEMSA to honor both individuals and organizations who have made significant contributions to the EMS profession in the past year. The WEMSA Awards Committee consists of out-of-state individuals from other state EMS organizations. You can review the Committee Policies and Procedures [here](#).

The deadline to apply for all associated WEMSA applications is September 30th, 2023.

### **EMS Support Person of the Year**

#### Criteria:

- Recognizes one of the many individuals whose efforts enhance EMS in Wisconsin through their actions as a Nurse, Physician, Law Enforcement Officer, Pilot, Supervisor, Business Manager, Administrative Assistant, or another individual who would not fit into the other categories for individual recognition.
- Eligibility: The nomination can speak to either a continuous positive effort that enhances the quality of EMS or can speak to a specific individual event.

### **Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) of the Year**

#### Criteria:

- Wisconsin Emergency Medical Responder who has significantly contributed to EMS at the community, state and/or national level.

- Eligibility: State Certified EMR whose primary responsibility is providing direct patient care. The nomination can speak to either a continuous positive effort that enhances the quality of EMS or can speak to a specific individual event.

### **\* EMT of the Year**

#### Criteria:

- Is an effective advocate for patients and their families?
- Works with peers to foster a positive work environment.
- Demonstrates professionalism in interacting with patients, their families, and other medical professionals.
- Demonstrates his/her commitment to continuing professional education; and
- Any other relevant information provided in support of the nominee.

### **\* Paramedic of the Year**

#### Criteria:

- Is an effective advocate for patients and their families?
- Works with peers to foster a positive work environment.
- Demonstrates professionalism in interacting with patients, their families, and other medical professionals.
- Demonstrates his/her commitment to continuing professional education; and
- Any other relevant information provided in support of the nominee.

### **\* Educator of the Year**

#### Criteria:

- Consistently demonstrates his/her commitment to providing high quality, professional education for EMS practitioners.
- Serves as an outstanding role model for EMS practitioners in the classroom and in the community.
- Effectively mentors EMS students at all stages of their professional development.
- Introduces and incorporates innovative approaches and tools in the classroom to enhance students' learning experiences.
- Contributes and participates in the development of educational content that expands the body of quality EMS curriculum; and
- Any other relevant information provided in support of the nominee.

### **\* Lifetime Achievement Award**

#### Criteria:

- Honors an individual for lifetime achievement (service of 20 or more years) in the EMS field.
- Eligibility: The nomination can speak to a continuous positive effort that enhances the quality of EMS.

### **\* Service of the Year**

#### Criteria:

- This WEMSA Award is open to any EMS system that exemplifies outstanding professionalism and service to the community it serves. This award honors agencies for their dedication, teamwork, and commitment to EMS.
- Eligibility: Wisconsin licensed service in good standing that is a member of the Wisconsin EMS Association.