

Proclamation from the lice of the Governor

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

OCTOBER 11-18, 1981

Through the tireless and selfless efforts of emergency medical technicians, nurses and physicians, all Marylanders are assured of a superior level of emergency medical care; and WHEREAS.

WHEREAS. Through many years of research, dedication and service, Maryland has established an outstanding EMS system which has won world wide acclaim; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that our citizens recognize the 12,000 Emergency Medical Technicians, most of whom are volunteers, and our many medical and fire associates who devote themselves to administering the highest calibre of emergency medical care; and

WHEREAS,

It is important that all citizens become aware of how to properly access the EMS system and have a knowledge of basic life-saving techniques;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HARRY HUGHES, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim October 11-18, 1981, as EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK in Maryland, and commend this observance to all our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Good . Soul of the State of Maryland. day of August . In the Store of Our Lord.

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Secretary of State

Emergency Medical Services



Maryland Region V Advisory Council

MEMORANDUM

To: EMS Week Committee Regional Council Members From: Nancy Haupt Chairman Subject: EMS Week Activities - Region V Date: June 5, 1981

Attached is a summary of the ideas developed by the Region V EMS Week Planning Committee at its first meeting. The Committee felt that a central theme for the Week was important. It was also concluded that if VA and DC would also proclaim EMS Week - it would be much easier to gain media (especialy TV) coverage.

While the Committee's initial plans included a Large Regional Program at Central location such as Andrews Air Force Base, this may not be wise since the Metropolitan Fire Chiefs will have their field day at Andrews Air Force Base on September 26, 1981 and it will include many of the programs and displays the Committee had developed. An alternate suggestion is a county wide program focusing on similar topics at a local Mall. Calvert County will host a Patuxent River Appreciation Days Program October 10 - 11, 1981, and displays focusing on EMS at that program may be a good kick off to our Week.

I will present our preliminary plans to the Regional Council on their June 17, 1981 meeting. The next EMS Week Committee meeting will be Wednesday, June 24, 1981 at 11 am at:

Prince Georges Doctors Hospital 8188 Good Luck Road 301-552-9400 Lanham, Maryland 20801

Directions: Take 495/95 Beltway to 450 East toward Lanham, follow signs to hospital.

The hospital will serve a Luncheon, so Please RSVP to the Region V Office by June 18, 1981.

The EMS Week Committee of the Region V Council met on Thursday, May 28, 1981 at Prince Georges Doctors Hospital.

Members Present

Nancy Haupt, R.N. Steven Remsen, M.D. Scott Whitney, MSP Audrey Laurine, R.N. Mary Lou Hiortdahl, R.N. Bridget Krizek, R.N. Pat Chernow, R.N. Eddie Simpson, CRT Jim Xinis Margaret Sissler Jean Metzger Marie Warner Chairperson - P.G. Doctors (ACEP) - P.G. Doctors Calvert EMS Council PMH - Charles County PMH EDNA EDNA PMH - Charles County P.G.G.H./MC So. Md. Heart Assoc. MIEMSS MIEMSS - Region V

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PT-As Civic Associations Ambulance/Fire Companies Schools Church Groups (SEE LIST ATTACHED)

3.) Local Ambulance/Rescue Company Activities

Demonstrations Programs for Pre School, Elementary Schools (Slide Tape Show to be accompanied by Ambulance demonstration) B.P. Screenings Other ideas currently being developed

Currently being explored or undertaken:

- 1.) EMS Week proclamations in Va. & D.C.
- 2.) Have EMS Week include:

E.D. Nurses Day E.D. Physicians Day MSP Medevac Day EMT-A/CRT Day

- Posters with theme, etc. and blanks to write in local activities
- 4.) Bumper Stickers
- 5.) Bulk distribution of 911 stickers thru Rescue/Ambulance Squads
- 6.) Possibility of T-Shirt designed & available by mail order to providers prior to the program
- 7.) Logo

Emergency Medical Services Maryland Region V Advisory Council



MEMORANDUM

To: E.M.S. Week Committee From: Nancy Haupt NH. Chairperson Subject: E.M.S. Week Planning Date: July 16,1981

The concept of each County presenting a large E.M.S. Week Program was adopted by the Committee. It was further agreed that Regionwide activities would be the Speakers Bureau and Coordination of media coverage, particularly TV. Local activities throughout the Region will also be encouraged.

COUNTYWIDE ACTIVITIES PLANNED ARE:

October 10, 1981 - St. Mary's County - 10am - 4pm - County Fair Grounds Parade - including fire apparatus, ambulances, floats on theme of Week Bands Awards Programs - for E.M.S. Providers and Parade Winners Displays and Demonstrations Mini Disaster - Extrication, Pre-Hospital Treatment, Medivac Live Radio Coverage October 10 - 11, 1981 - Calvert County Part of the annual Patuxent River Appreciation Days which usually attracts 30,000 visitors from throughout the State Will include - displays, the E.M.S. van, demonstrations, extrication and rescue, Medivac Coordinated by County E.M.S. providers, local law enforcement and Maryland State Police

October 14, 1981 - Montgomery County Since this is Emergency Department Nurses Day - A county wide program on E.D. Nursing. Sponsored by EDNA and all hospitals is tentatively scheduled as the major event

October 17 - (?) - Prince Georges County A large, hospital based disaster with the public and Media invited, is planned.

October 17 - (2) - Charles County

An E.M.S. oriented health fair at a local Mall is tentatively planned. Automation the this.

A committee including Dr. Remsen, Jan Quarles, Phyllis O'Niell and Marie Warner will be working on Meida coverage. We are aiming toward E.M.S. being the weeklong theme of the 6:00 pm News - along with features on local talk shows such as "Good Morning Washington" on E.M.S. related topics.

The Committee also agreed to approach a local company to make available E.M.S. Week tee shirts for providers. These will be royal blue with white lettering. The front will say, "Your Life Is Worth Our Time" with the logo selected (a clock with a normal sinus rhythm superimposed) and will read Maryland Emergency Medical Services Team on the back.

E.M.S. Week was also discussed at the Council of Governments meeting July 14, 1981. D.C. will consider proclaiming the Week at its E.M.S. Council meeting later in the month. While Varginia will not be able to participate as a state this year, Fairfax County is interested. Obviously our press coverage will be better from the Washingtion channels if the other jurisdictions participate.

Don't forget, the next committee meeting will be on Thursday, July 30, 1981 at 11:30 am at Prince Georges Doctor's Hospital. Luncheon will be served. Please RSVP to the Region V Office by July 24, 1981.

Directions: Take 495/95 Beltway to 450 East toward Lanham, follow signs to hospital.

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E.M.S. WEEK COMMITTEE 6/17/81

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MEMORANDUM

To: E.M.S. Week Planning Committee From: Marie Warner Marie Region V Coordinator

Subject: Reminder of the Dinner Meeting to be held by the E.M.S. Week Planning Committee

Date: October 13, 1981

This is just a follow up to remind you that the E.M.S. Week Planning Committee will hold its final meeting to evaluate the Regional E.M.S. Week Program on Friday, October 23, 1981, with Cocktails at 6:30 pm and dinner at 7:30 pm. This will be a dinner meeting at:

DiGennaro's Restaurant 13308 Laurel Bowie Road (Route 197) Laurel, Maryland 20708

Please RSVP to the Region V Office by Monday, October 19, 1981, (301) 735-5580 and indicate your choice of entree.

Prime Rib

Italian Platter (Lasagne, Veal Scalopine, Italian Meatball and Sausage) Fishermans Platter (Shrimp, Crabcake, Flounder, Scallops and Oysters)

Served With: Salad bar, baked potato, french fries or Spagetti, rolls & butter, beverage

Directions: From Baltimore-Washington Parkway (295) Exit on Route 197 toward Laurel (left turn if your going North from Washington Beltway right if your coming South from Baltimore Beltway) DiGénnaro's is in the Town Center Shopping Center on the left hand side of 197 at the intersection of Contee Road.

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E.M.S. Week Activities

Maryland Region V (Suburban Washington/Southern Maryland)

October 10, 1981 - Maryland Statewide Emergency Care Competition 9 am - 4 pm Timonium Fairgrounds Timonium, Maryland Teams of Emergency Medical Technicians will be demonstrating their skills in patient care and competing for prizes. Demonstrations of Auto extrication, high rise rescue (utilizing helicopters) and a variety of other demonstrations and displays will be presented. Contact: Judy Krouse Public Information MI EMSS 22 South Greene Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201 Phone Number: (301) 528-3697 Louis Jordon Paramedic Training Officer MI EMSS 22 South Greene Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201 Phone Number: (301) 528-7800 October 10, 1981 - St. Mary's County Emergency Medical Services Day St. Mary's County Fairgrounds Route #5, 2 miles South of Leonardtown diff & Danne Events: Parade - including bands, floats and emergency equipment A variety of displays and demonstrations including Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation, auto extrication Awards Ceremony -A mini disaster staged including helicopter evacuation Contact: Ellen Hewitt, RN St. Mary's Hospital P.O. Box 477 Leonardtown, Maryland 20650 Work Phone: (301) 475-8981 Home Phone: (301) 994-1358

October 10, 1981 - "The Next Disaster, Will you survive??????" 10 am - 5 pm Wheaton Volunteer REscue Squad's Second Annual Rescue Day. Wheaton Plaza Shopping Center Wheaton, Maryland

The day will include water rescue and rescue from heights demonstrations and will culminate in a mock airplane crash with MEDEVAC helicopter transport. CPR demonstrations and free blood pressure monitoring will also be available as well as displays of ambulances and equipment. For further information

Contact: Capt. Paul Friedlander Wheaton Volunteer Rescue Squad 11435 Grandview Avenue Wheaton, Maryland 20902 Phone Number: (301) 949-4044

October 11, 1981 - Bethesda Chevy Chase Rescue Squad's "Annual Rescue 10 am - 5 pm Day" at: Battery Lane Bethesda, Maryland

(October 18, 1981 will be the rain date)

Program will include demonstrations of: Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation Rescue from Heights Auto Extrication Fire Fighting

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October 10 - 11, 1981 - Patuxent River Appreciation Day (Saturday - Sunday) Calvert Marine Museum 11 am - 6 pm Solomons, Maryland

- One segment of this annual program will feature E.M.S.

A tent will house all emergency services displays including volunteer ambulance and fire companies, Maryland State Police, Calvert County Sheriffs Department, and the State Emergency Medical Services System (E.M.S. display Van - Sunday only). Demonstrations on Auto Extrication (Using "Jaws of Life"), CPR, a mini disaster (tentative) and helicopter rescue.

Contact: Sgt. Scott Whitney Maryland State Police Calvert County Courthouse Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678 Work Phone: (301) 535-1400 Home Phone: (301) 586-2139 October 12, 1981 - Montgomery Mall 12 noon - 8 pm Exhibits Concerning various aspects of the E.M.S. System. Displays and exhibits will focus on public information and utilization of the E.M.S. System.

E.M.S. Week has been designated by proclamation of:

County Executive Charles Gilcrest

Contact: Jan Quarles Director of Public Relations Suburban Hospital 8600 Old Georgetown Road Bethesda, Maryland 20014

Phone Number: (301) 530-3100

M. Brigit Krizek, RN Montgomery General Hospital 18101 Prince Phillip Drive Plney, Maryland 20832

Phone Number: (301) 340-3168

October 13, 1981 - P.G. County Disaster Exercise Tuesday 7 pm Location: Eleonor Roosevelt High School Greenbelt Road Greenbelt, Maryland

This exercise will focus on a potential disaster at a large public gathering with 50-100 victims triaged and transported to the Areawide Trauma Center as well as 5 other County Hospitals.

Contact: Steve Remsen, MD Nancy Haupt, RN Emergency Department Doctors Hospital of Prince Georges County 8100 Good Luck Road Lanham, Maryland 20801

Phone Number: (301) 552-9400

Phylis O'Neal Director of Public Relations Doctors Hospital of Prince Georges County 8100 Good Luck Road Lanham, Maryland 20801

Phone Number: (301) 552-9400

October 17, 1981 - Charles Countý E.M.S. Day llam - 4 pm Thomas Stone High School

10m helicopter hike Muth

E.M.S. Day will include demonstrations by ambulance and fire departments, helicopters, local and state law enforcement (including SWAT team)

Contact: Audrey Laurine, RN Emergency Department Supervisor Physicians Memorial Hospital 701 E. Charles Street LaPlata, Maryland 20646

Phone Number: (301) 870-3061

Mary Lou Hiortdahl, RN Physicians Memorial Hospital 701 E. Charles Street LaPlata, Maryland 20646

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Maryland Region V Advisory Council

MEMORANDUM

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To: E.M.S. Week Planning Committee From: Nancy Haupt Voo Subject: September Meeting Date: August 27, 1981

The Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 9, 1981 at 9:00 am at Doctors Hospital of Prince Georges County to finalize plans for E.M.S. Week. The meeting will be in the main hospital - please come to the lobby exact location will be posted. Continental breakfast will be served.

RSVP - Region V Office 301-735-5580

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October 11-18, 1981

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available to providers to highlight the week's activities.



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ORDERING INFORMATION

- 1.) We request that bulkorders be placed by fire/ambulance companies hospital emergency department's etc.
- 2.) Orders must be received by September 10, 1981 to insure delivery prior to E.M.S. Week!
- *3.) Tax exempt number and copy of the tax certificate should accompany orders where applicable.
- 4.) Checks should be payable to "FIRST IMPRESSION".
- 5.) Orders should be sent to "FIRST IMPRESSION", Post Office Box 647, Columbia, Maryland 21045.

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Marylanders Celebrate EMS Week

Marylanders from the governor to school children, recovering trauma patients, and EMS providers celebrated EMS Week October 11through 18 with proclamations, disaster drills, special lectures, open houses, and exhibits. Governor Hughes's official proclamation recognizing "the tireless and selfless efforts of emergency medical technicians, nurses and physicians" was echoed in separate proclamations by many of the state's county executives. The week's activities gave people in each of the five EMS regions a chance to meet the professionals who make Maryland's EMS system work. In Region I a feature article in the <u>Cumberland Sunday Times</u>

In Region I a feature article in the <u>Cumberland Sunday Times</u> focused on the people and resources that make EMS a successful team effort in Allegany and Garrett counties. During the week representatives from the region's 15 ambulance and rescue companies spoke to school and civic groups, and on Tuesday several companies as well as the Garrett County Central Alarm held open houses.

The Country Club Mall was the scene of displays and demonstrations by 16 area organizations on Thursday and Friday evenings and all day on Saturday. Prevention was a main focus, with KISS child restraints on display, free blood pressure screening by the American Red Cross, and American Heart Association tips on reducing the risk of cardiac disease. Kids found Sacred Heart Hospital's roving Mr. YUK someone to watch out for, but if they could tell dispatchers at the Civil Defense Department booth what 911 meant, they were rewarded with a prize. Maryland State Police representatives stressed the dangers of combining driving and drinking and showed how the mysterious breathalizer works. EMTs and CRTs from area companies demonstrated advanced life support, CPR, and rescue/extrication techniques. "Price tags" on ambulance company displays reminded visitors that equipping these volunteer services is an expensive proposition--some \$40,000 per rescue truck and \$65,000 per ambulance.

ties, also centered around shopping plazas. Members of the Critical Care Nurses Association and the Emergency Department Nurses Association talked with people at Hagerstown's Valley Mall; ambulance manufacturers had displays at Fredericktown Mall; and the American Heart Association and Jaycees demonstrated CPR at Fredericktown and Francis Scott Key Malls. The Frederick-based Maryland State Police helicopter was much in demand during EMS Week--so much so that Med-Evac missions prevented it from making two of three scheduled lunchhour landings at shopping centers.

Area radio stations announced EMS events throughout the week, and WTHU in Thurmont aired a special interview with orthopedic surgeon Robert R. R. Roberts, M.D., first president of the region's EMS Advisory Council and a key figure in area EMS planning. Ambulance company representatives took their own safety message to school children as a follow-up to Fire Prevention Week, and Frederick Community College offered a free one-day "heart saver" course. A regional disaster drill, planned for October 18, had to be rescheduled for the spring because of inclement weather.

Special activities in metropolitan Baltimore (Region III) included the EMS Olympics, which kicked off the week's events, and the statewide EMS awards banquet (see separate articles). In addition, ambulance personnel in Baltimore City and several of the surrounding counties coordinated school visits with those of the fire-

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men. Designated ambulances in Baltimore City were on call two hours a day not at the fire department but at a local shopping center, where they passed out EMS literature and talked with people.

On Wednesday EMRC announced that a tank truck carrying hazardous chemicals had collided with several passenger cars in Catonsville. In all, 90 "victims" injured by fire, explosion, smoke, or chemical burns were treated at Bon Secours, Lutheran, St. Agnes, and University of Maryland Hospitals that morning. Both the victims, from Owings Mills and Lansdowne High Schools, and observers from the four hospitals evaluated the Southwest Disaster Committee's drill and pronounced it a success. The next drill is scheduled for the evening of April 21.

of April 21. On the Eastern Shore, Region IV, Salisbury TV channels 47 and 16 took evening news viewers though the Wicomico County Central Alarm and showed a mock cardiac emergency staged by local CRTs. Th

Alarm and showed a mock cardiac emergency staged by local CRTs. The footage included prehospital care, telemetry, and transport. Attorney John Lancaster, director of the Governor's Office for Coordination of Services for the Handicapped and himself a paraplegic, spoke to an open meeting of the Trauma Recovery Group's Eastern Shore chapter on Tuesday at the Easton Public Library.

The Maryland State Police Aviation Division opened its hangar at Salisbury's Wicomico Airport to the public on Thursday. A slidetape presentation gave visitors an overview of Maryland's pioheering civilian Med-Evac program. In addition to open houses at fire companies in Oxford, Chestertown, and Easton, the Dorchester General Hospital in Cambridge gave visitors morning and afternoon tours of its emergency department. A mock nuclear disaster drill, also staged at Dorchester General, involved county ambulance companies and other organizations responsible for interacting should such an emergency occur.

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Special events were scheduled almost daily in Region V, suburban Washington and southern Maryland. St. Mary's County EMS Day, held at the county fairgrounds on the tenth, featured a parade, displays, and a minidisaster drill involving 2 cars, 10 victims, and 6 ambulance companies. Annual Rescue Days sponsored on Saturday and Sunday by the Wheaton Volunteer Rescue Squad and the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rescue Squad included water and rooftop rescues, auto extrication, CPR demonstrations, and equipment displays. The Wheaton event culminated in a mock air crash with Med-Evac transport. EMS services also were fully represented at the weekend's Patuxent River Appreciation Days in Solomons.

Region VI

More than a dozen EMS organizations took part in a day-long public information exhibit at the Montgomery Mall on Monday. On Tuesday students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School in Greenbelt were triaged, transported, and treated at the areawide trauma center or one of five county hospitals after bleachers "collapsed." The Prince Georges County disaster exercise was rated an excellent test of the EMS system.

Throughout the week, speakers from area hospitals, rescue squads, and organizations such as the Southern Maryland Heart Association, Red Cross, Emergency Department Nurses Association, and American Col- , lege of Emergency Physicians were available to civic groups. Thirty=/ seven speakers bureau presentations were given during the week on topics ranging from how to/utilize an emergency room to eye trauma and sports injuries.

Charles County's EMS Day, held on Saturday at the Thomas Stone High School, capped the week's Region V activities. Ambulance and \mathbf{f} dire companies, Maryland State Police Med-Evac personnel, and law enforcement officers (including a SWAT team) all showed people their \neg

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roles in saving and protecting lives.

If public and media response to the week's events is any indication, Marylanders clearly know that their EMS services are second to none. By the hundreds they took time to absorb the safety messages, ask questions about the sophisticated lifesaving equipment, and meet many of the unsung heroes who make this calibre of emergency care possible.



The Maryland Institute for Maryland Institute for Cordially invites you to attend a special ceremony honoring EMS week Monday, October 12, 1981 6:00 PM cocktails 7:00 PM dinner 7:00 PM dinner at at

R.S.V.P. Donna Debus - (301) 528-7800

International Airport

EMS WEEK BULLETIN # 2



EMS Olympics - Timonium Fairgrounds (October 10, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.)

The Olympics has been expanded to include sky divers, helicopter high-rise rescues, auto extrications (using the newest Hurst tool), and displays of the newest and best EMS equipment. Teams will be able to camp on the fairgrounds the night before, but tent spikes cannot be used. The teams will not need to bring any equipment to compete; all equipment will be donated for the day.

EMS Week - Media and Information

Information packages will be sent to all media in early September. Billboards and posters are being prepared to help publicize the event. In addition, cards will be distributed that instruct the public on what to do when an emergency vehicle is approaching, what to do at the scene of an accident, and how to summon help and render aid until EMS personnel arrive. The cards will be distributed to junior and senior high schools, malls, civic groups, stores and banks.

In the next issue, the activities for each county will be listed. The results of the school survey will also be ready. Page 2

Regional Activities

Region V is leading in a variety of activities - parades, fairs, media saturation. Region I will hold a banquet and an accredited educational program for physicians. Region II will have a major disaster exercise. Region III, of course, will be at work on the Olympics.

EMS Week

Region V originated the concept of a focus a day. The same concept will be followed for EMS Week.

October	10	-	EMS Olympics
	11	-	Fairs, Parades
	12	-	Banquet, EMTs/CRTs
	13	-	Med-Evac State Police Helicopter Pilots
	14	-	Emergency Department Nurses
	15	-	Emergency Physicians
	16	-	Statewide Communications
	17 & 18	-	Fairs, Parades

Judy Krouse will be coordinating the media efforts in the Baltimore and Washington areas.

EMS WEEK BULLETIN 1981 #3

MARYLAND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

October 11 - 18

Your Life Is Worth Our Time

Governor Hughes will officially declare EMS Week this Saturday, Oct. 10, at the EMS Olympics being held on the Timonium Fairgrounds. Highlights include: 45 of Maryland's finest EMS teams competing and demonstrating their emergency medical skills in response to automotive, industrial and mystery accidents; hi-rise and helicopter rescues; sky divers and scuba divers.

KISS (Kids in Safety Seats) has donated five car seats to be raffled during the day. The American Trauma Society is supplying free balloons. Over 30 exhibitors will be displaying the newest in equipment and services. Food booths will be staffed by volunteers of the Baltimore County Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. Rain or shine, it promises to be a great, fun-filled day.

And that is just the start: statewide, as you know, there are education programs underway. Hope you've seen the billboards designed to go with the posters, banners, public service announcements and cards. All to let the public understand better the importance of your skills and quick response time. The cards are being distributed through our regional system and central alarm dispatch centers.

REGION I

Radio and Television - Tri-State Report October 11, TV Spots, Radio Programs Cumberland News full page feature in the Sunday paper, quarter page ad in newspaper Country Club Mall Demonstration Television Program on WHAG (Hagerstown) to be aired October 12, 13 and 14 3-part series on WCBC - one on Advanced Life Support and one on Trauma Service Award presentations

REGION II

School visitation by local ambulance companies is anticipated. Five or six shopping centers and malls will be used for public display. Voluntary ambulance inspection offered. A disaster exercise Heavy emphasis on public education through the local radio stations, the television station and local high school newspapers is expected. A heart saver course put on by the Frederick Community College on October 17.

REGION III

Saltimore County - tie-in to Fire Prevention Week, school system visitations Baltimore City - Medic with ambulance at shopping malls and centers all week - school visitations, mini first aid talks Anne Arundel - Annapolis: school program, posters, newspaper support Howard County - open house, Southwest disaster drill, and, especially, hosting the EMS Olympics!

REGION IV

Kent and Queen Ann Rescue Squad's Open House The State Police Aviation Division, Salisbury, Open House on October 15th A stress management workshop at Pennisula General Medical Center Open House at Dorchester General Hospital at Cambridge is being held by the Emergency Room on the 13, 14, 15 and 16 at 10:00 a.m.\$1:00 p.m. Trauma Recovery Group on the Eastern Shore will be having a Trauma Recovery Program

REGION V

St. Mary's County - County Fairgrounds Parade Calvert County, part of the annual Patuxent River Appreciation Days will include displays, the EMS van, demonstrations, extrication and rescue, Med-Evac Montgomery County - Since this is Emergency Department Nurses Day, a county wide program on E.D. Nursing Prince George's County - A large, hospital based disaster with the public and media invited Charles County - An EMS fair at a local mall and EMS Day at the high school EMS week T-shirts in the region and at the Olympics Eleanor Roosevelt in Greenbelt - The Collapse of Bleachers; The Next Disaster Will You Survive by Wheaton Rescue Squad. They have a variety of demonstrations. Annual Rescue Day at Bethesda - Chevy Chase Rescue Squad CPR Rescue and Auto Extrications

Throughout the state, county commissioners are joining Governor Hughes in proclaiming EMS Week. All regions are planning extensive media coverage, and MIEMSS sent media "background" packages to assist their efforts.

For the future: This summer, MIEMSS public affairs office summer intern surveyed Maryland schools with challenging results: While approximately 60% offer CPR and first aid to students and teachers, 80% responded as willing to improve their emergency health response systems, including student and teacher training in CPR and first aid. Only one of the surveyed offered up-dating, only 20% considred themselves more than adequately prepared, so there's a great opportunity to improve our liaison with the public.

*Survey done by Summer Intern Bonnie Waitsman, Emergency Health Service-200, University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

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MARYLAND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

October 11 - 18

Your Life Is Worth Our Time

Emergency Medical Services Week will be declared by Governor Hughes for October 11-18, 1981. As you can see by our slogan, <u>Your life is worth our time</u>, our emphasis will be on the timely care EMS provides our Maryland citizens. All our efforts will be enhanced if each county also declares EMS week at this time.

We will start EMS week with the Maryland Statewide Emergency Care Competition, October 10, at Timonium Fairgrounds. (All companies sponsoring teams are reminded to send in their forms by August 15th.)

There will be billboards, brochures, public service announcements, cards and posters all coordinated to emphasize <u>Your life is</u> worth our time. Page 2

There will be special focus on CRTs/EMTs, Communications, Transportation (pre-hospital), EDNA & ACEP (hospital).

The Public Affairs Office is working with the Maryland Board of Education so our public schools will be aware of EMS week. This gives our hospitals and ambulance companies an opportunity to plan special assemblies and events for the schools during EMS week.

Also, we encourage all of you to seek opportunities to speak to civic groups, meet with the news media, give awards to both public citizens and EMS providers, put on displays at your hospitals, ambulance companies and in public malls.

MIEMSS will be supplying support material and efforts to assist you all in making this a bigger and better EMS week.

Please be sure to read the New York Times article attached, noting the paragraph headed: MARYLAND LEADS NATION. Justly earned praise for you all.

We are inviting EMS directors throughout the United States to join us in this week.

For further information or assistance, please call your Regional EMS office or Jean Metzger, MIEMSS Public Affairs Officer (528-3697).

- 1. Date set.
- 2. Governor's Proclamation secured.
- 3. Budget allocated.
- 4. Regions appoint EMS week subcommittee.
- 5. Theme adopted: Your life is worth our time.
- 6. Publicity planned.

General Focus: Team Effort

Specific Focus: October 10 - EMS Olympics October 11 - Fairs, parades, etc. October 12 - Med Evac October 13 - EMT's/CRT's October 14 - Emergency Departments Nurses October 15 - Trauma Centers - A.C.E.P. October 16 - Communications October 17 - Parades, fairs, etc. & 18

Media Support:

Press Releases

- Public Service Announcements Radio & TV
 - TV we supply to subcommittee slides, visuals suggested copy 30, 60 sec. - (EMS Council to do)
 - Radio we supply 30 & 60 sec. copy Local rescue squads to do?
 - Billboards: Confirm space, get more if possible.

Posters: encourage use in high visibility areas.

Cards: for distribution by Councils, Squads to groups, schools, etc.

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7. Local Efforts Planned

1. EMS Fairs

Malls Ambulance Companies Hospital grounds

E.M.S. WEEK - October 11 - 17, 1981

Theme: "Your Life is Worth Our Time"

The men and women of the Emergency Medical Services System are dedicated to saving the lives of critically ill and injured in the field, in the emergency department and the Specialty Centers throughout the State.

Activities:

Region Wide: One large program of displays and demonstrations at a central location in the Region (Andrews Air Force Base of Marlboro Race Track) on Saturday, October 17, 1981.

To Include:

CRT demonstrations on Cardiac Cases Trauma Triage and Pre Hospital care demonstrations (with moulged victims, scenario, marrator etc.) Medevac helicopter display (MSP, Park Police, Ft. Belvoir) CPR demonstrations (with information on course enrollment, availability) Extrication Rescue Display Displays/Slide:Tape/Lecture etc. Heart Association EDNA ACEP MIEMSS Specialty Centers Possibility of a Celebrity Speaker

County Activities:

- 1.) Regional Hospitals

Disaster Drill (full scale) at a local hospital Lectures for public Demonstrations for Screenings/Displays

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- 2. Education
 - a. speakers offered to schools, civic organizations and radio/TV newspaper interviews.

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- b. Card on accident handling as hand-out.
- 3. Awards, certificates of appreciation:
 - to citizens who helped in a heart attack or trauma.
 - to outstanding people in Ambulance Companies, etc.
 - to County Commissioners.
- 4. Support activities T Shirts, Bumper Stickers, etc.
- 8. Bulletins going to all:

EMS Council members Hospital E.D. & P.R. Ambulance Companies

lst June 12
2nd August 7 (expected)
3rd September 11 (expected)

Contents will focus on your plans to date, ideas to stimulate more activity.