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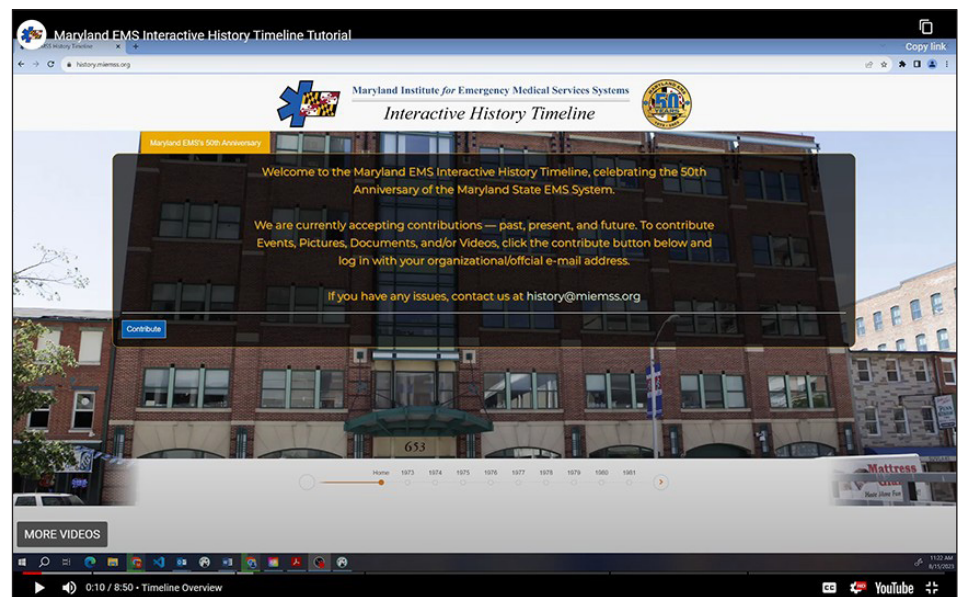
History of Maryland's EMS System Takes Shape with Interactive History Timeline

~ User-submitted content helps to tell the story of nation's first statewide EMS system ~

IN RECOGNITION of the statewide Maryland EMS system's 50th anniversary, MIEMSS has developed an Interactive History Timeline to collect, archive, and display events, documents, images, and videos produced over time, and provide a repository for hospitals, organizations, clinicians, and others to contribute their own pieces of the Maryland EMS system's past, present, and future. Anyone connected to the EMS system is welcome and encouraged to freely contribute information to the timeline in perpetuity.

Accessing the Timeline

From the homepage of the timeline, click the "Contribute" button on the bottom left. On the login page that appears, enter your official e-mail address (e.g., @miemss.org, @maryland.gov, @umm.edu, etc.) and click "Login with E-Mail". Now check your e-mail. You will receive a one-time, six-digit passcode to confirm your e-mail address. Simply enter that six-digit code into the field that appears, click the login button, and you will be redirected into the contribution system.



If you do not have an official e-mail address in your capacity within the EMS system, or you receive a message that your domain/organization does not have access, please e-mail us at history@miemss.org and we will either add your domain/organization into the system or provide you with an individual login for contribution.

Contributing Content

Once logged in to the contribution system you will be presented

with submission forms and a listing of all existing content. The blue menu bar at the top contains links to each main category within the timeline: MIEMSS/EMS Events, World Events, Documents, Pictures, and Videos. Click any of these to view the submission page for the respective category. Items that are submitted will not immediately appear on the public facing side of the timeline until reviewed and approved

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EMS News Digest

■ **Dorchester County EMS Bike Team in Full Effect** (*WBOC*). First responders in Dorchester County are rolling with some new wheels. From street festivals to triathlons, the 10-member Dorchester County EMS bike team is designed to more quickly access patients in situations where it could take longer for an ambulance to reach them. Read more: https://www.wboc.com/news/dorchester-county-ems-bike-team-in-full-effect/article_90d70172-58db-11ee-8090-3f5df57071a6.html

■ **IAEMSC Calls on EMS Systems to Adopt Prehospital Blood Transfusion Programs** (*EMSI*). Citing numerous studies highlighting the advantages of prehospital administration of blood and blood products, the International Association of EMS Chiefs (IAEMSC) recently urged all EMS systems across

the US to explore new methods and adopt innovative practices that improve patient outcomes. Earlier this year, Maryland became the first statewide EMS system in the nation to implement the use of whole blood aboard all medevac flights. Read more: <https://www.emsl.com/bleeding-control/articles/iaemsc-calls-on-ems-systems-to-adopt-prehospital-blood-transfusion-programs-DejuOBDICspOJMbG/>

■ **Griffith Named MHA President & CEO** (*Maryland Hospital Association*). The Maryland Hospital Association (MHA) has named State Senator Melony G. Griffith its new President & CEO. MHA Board of Trustees Chair Thomas Kleinhanzl calls Griffith's new role an "extension" of "[her] life work as a problem-solver, organizer, and community health advocate." He

describes Griffith as "a collaborator who brings together competing ideas and needs, finds consensus, and builds the best solutions for our communities and our state." Read more: <https://www.mhaonline.org/resources/press-releases/press-releases/2023/10/06/senator-melony-g.-griffith-named-president-ceo-of-the-maryland-hospital-association>

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WINTERFEST EMS

~ *FEBRUARY 2-4, 2024* ~

Further details coming soon!

~ *WHY ATTEND WINTERFEST?* ~



*"The presenters [are] phenomenal.
I will be coming back next year."*

AMANDA MARCINOWSKI

PARAMEDIC | FIRST-TIME WINTERFEST EMS ATTENDEE

*"I live on the Western Shore, and I like to get
a different EMS perspective so I can keep up-to-
date on what's happening throughout the state."*

HENRY LYLES

PARAMEDIC | LONGTIME WINTERFEST EMS ATTENDEE



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MILTENBERGER EMERGENCY SERVICES SEMINAR

~ *MARCH 7-9, 2024* ~

Further details coming soon!

~ *WHY ATTEND MILTENBERGER?* ~



"EMS in this region has longer transport times than most... Miltenberger trains clinicians so they know what to do for those long transports and more acute injuries."

DWAYNE KITIS

*CRT-I | LONGTIME MILTENBERGER
EMERGENCY SERVICES SEMINAR ATTENDEE*

"Miltenberger is a great opportunity to interact with other disciplines from throughout the state... and the educational opportunities are excellent."

LISA OPEL

*RN | LONGTIME MILTENBERGER
EMERGENCY SERVICES SEMINAR ATTENDEE*



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2024 Miltenberger Emergency Services Seminar*



EMSC Honors Eastern Shore EMS Clinician with 2nd Annual Child Passenger Safety Award

MARYLAND EMS FOR CHILDREN recently honored an EMS clinician from Maryland's Eastern Shore for his exemplary work in direct service to the community and through educating public safety and health care professionals with its second annual Child Passenger Safety Award.

Daniel T. Long, a captain with the Salisbury Fire Department, Captain Long started in child passenger safety more than 12 years ago, when he helped with the Safe Kids Coalition of the Lower Shore. He then took the certification course and became a Child Passenger Safety Technician in October 2012. In this volunteer role, he assists families with adjusting their car seats and properly installing them in their personal vehicles. Captain Long has been particularly helpful for families receiving care at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional, but available for any child on the Lower Shore. Additionally, car seat leaders in Baltimore and Washington know to refer families to him whose children are receiving specialized health-care in the metro area, but who actually live on the Lower Shore. Some of these children have very rare conditions that make car seat use challenging. Captain Long also works very closely with Maryland Kids in Safety Seats, the State's lead car seat agency, to secure appropriate locations for regional car seat checks.

In the last two years, Captain Long has participated in MIEMSS' car seat program, keeping a few car seats for emergency use, such



From left: Captain Daniel T. Long, Salisbury Fire Department, and Chief John Tull, Salisbury Fire Department.

As a volunteer Child Passenger Safety Technician, Captain Long assists families with adjusting their car seats and properly installing them in their personal vehicles.

as when a family cannot afford a car seat or cannot obtain an acceptable one, and then being ready to help that family with their new seat.

These cases often involve instruction across languages! Additionally, he is one of the Salisbury Fire Department staff who are trained and ready to use the all-in-one car seats from MIEMSS designated for EMS clinicians to use to transport any children in non-emergency situations.

The staff at MIEMSS' EMS for Children as well as Maryland Kids in Safety Seats are pleased to honor Captain Long with this award for his long-time efforts in CPS, as they know he will be available, compassionate, and knowledgeable on safe travel for children. ■

~ Visit Maryland EMS for Children online at www.MIEMSS.org ~

MDERS Fiscal Year 2020 – An Overview

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM (MDERS) recently finalized its annual report for Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20). The period of performance for this cycle spanned from June 1, 2021, through May 31, 2022. During this period, the MDERS Fiscal Year 2020 - 2022 Strategic Plan served as a road map for carrying out the development and enhancement of capabilities through the execution of training and exercises. In FY20, MDERS in collaboration with stakeholder partners, continued its mission of developing and further enhancing response capabilities for law enforcement, fire/rescue/EMS, public health, emergency management, and the hospital systems in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. Those capabilities include:

■ **Training and Exercise Program.** MDERS supported diverse training and exercise opportunities for stakeholders to collectively strengthen their response operations. MDERS sponsored 37 trainings for 565 total participants, planned and executed a Full-Scale Exercise (FSE) for Prince George's County Police Department (PGPD) with 98 participants, planned and executed several tabletop exercises for Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) and PGPD with 58 participants from MCPD and 23 participants from PGPD. These trainings and exercises have enhanced the MDERS stakeholder partners' collective preparedness and response capabilities, thereby ensuring the safety and security of our first responders and the communities they serve.

■ **Ballistic Protection for Fire, Rescue, and EMS.** MDERS assisted Prince George's County Fire/EMS

Department (PGFD) in outfitting their providers who are deployed into hot, warm, and cold zones with personal protective equipment (PPE). PGFD providers were equipped with ballistic body armor, vest-mounted medical supplies, ballistic eye and face protection, and ballistic plate carries.

■ **Incident Command Tools.** MDERS focused on advancing the use of the incident command structure among Montgomery County Fire and Rescue (MCFRS), PGFD, and PGPD to minimize threats to public safety. For instance, MDERS supported the enhancement of incident command competency to better prepare front-line supervisors and command-level officers, building confidence in their decision-making. This was achieved through the development of static and dynamic immersive simulation training environments, acquisition of virtual reality (VR) tools, and the creation of command guidebooks. All PGPD command-level personnel were provided command guidebooks to serve as a resource when establishing command during an incident.

■ **Emergency Management Support.** MDERS supported Prince George's County Office of Homeland Security Emergency Management (PG OHS/EM) with their planning, training and exercise support program, response and recovery training program, and volunteer and donations management program. This funding strengthened various aspects of emergency management efforts, including community engagement, emergency preparedness, and medical training for personnel and civilians. Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management Homeland Security (MC

OEMHS) also received funding for their emergency management support for planning, training, and exercise support, as well as volunteers and donations management. This funding supported increased preparedness training, a full-scale exercise for MC OEMHS's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and community engagement events.

■ **Emerging Homeland Security Technology Pilot.** To identify new opportunities for advanced response, MDERS allocated funding to evaluate and procure innovative equipment aimed at addressing evolving threats. During FY20, the acquired technologies and equipment helped enhance training for mass casualty triage, search and rescue, and situational awareness. First responders can sharpen their skill sets while implementing these innovations during response operations. The procured technologies and equipment include:

- *Augmented Training Systems (ATS) Virtual Reality Platforms:* Allow responders to experience and train for a large flow of patients suffering from a diverse set of injuries.
- *PerSim:* Participants wear a headset that produces a 3-D holographic patient that is overlaid on a training manikin.
- *Leader Search Bluetooth:* Enable structural collapse teams to listen for trapped victims during a response.
- *Vehicle Mounted Camera:* Stream real-time footage of an incident scene back to the incident command post.

EMS Compliance Update

THE EMS BOARD is authorized to take disciplinary action against clinicians who engage in prohibited conduct to safeguard the integrity of the EMS system. COMAR 30.02.04.01 lists conduct which is prohibited. The following is a sample of actions the EMS Board has taken since June 2023, as a result of prohibited conduct. For more information, please contact Lisa Chervon, Chief of the MIEMSS Office of Integrity, at lchervon@miemss.org or (410) 706-2339. Additionally, MIEMSS maintains a searchable online database of all EMS Board decisions (<https://www.miemss.org/home/public>), under Public Orders Report in the left-hand column.

■ **IRC22-044 (APPLICANT)** June 13, 2023. On February 18, 2021, the Applicant was found guilty of Assault – Second Degree. The Applicant was subsequently sentenced to supervised probation for a period of three (3) years. Additionally, upon application for initial EMT certification, the Applicant failed to disclose the aforementioned disposition. As a result of the above findings, the Applicant was reprimanded for failure to disclose the aforementioned disposition. Also, upon obtaining EMS certification in Maryland, the Applicant will be on probation for one year from the effective date of the EMT's certification.

■ **IRC23-002 (EMT)** June 13, 2023. On December 29, 2022, the EMT pled not guilty with agreed statement of facts to the crime of Driving Under the Influence Per Se. The EMT was sentenced to one (1) year of unsupervised probation before judgment. As a result of the above

findings, the EMT's certification was placed on probation concurrent with criminal probation.

■ **IRC23-005 (EMT)** June 23, 2023. On February 7, 2023, the EMT pled guilty to the crime of second-degree assault. The EMT was subsequently sentenced to supervised probation before judgment. As a result of the above findings, the EMT was reprimanded and the certification was placed on probation until July 31, 2026. As a condition of probation, the EMT will be required to continue mental health counseling until the end of the probationary period. The EMT must submit quarterly reports to document ongoing counseling to MIEMSS, as well as the Medical Director of any jurisdictional EMSOP with which the EMT is affiliated.

■ **IRC22-063 (EMT)** June 13, 2023. On October 12, 2022, it was discovered that the EMT provided patient care by performing bag-valve-mask ventilation on a patient in cardiac arrest while their EMT credentials were suspended by the EMS Operational Program. The EMS Board issued a noncompliance notice proposing that the EMT's certificate be revoked. The EMT requested a hearing on this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH). By way of a Disposition Agreement, all parties agreed that the EMT's certification be suspended for one (1) year from the date above and that the EMT is prohibited from providing emergency medical services; prohibited from driving or riding on an ambulance, or any other EMS vehicle. The clinician is permitted to ride or serve on a fire engine or other fire apparatus, provided that the EMT is

not on any vehicle (e.g., a chase car) that requires service in the capacity of an EMS clinician. Any provision of emergency medical services by the EMT during the one-year suspension period will be deemed a violation of this Agreement. Following the EMT's one-year suspension, the EMT certification will be on probation for a period of two (2) years.

■ **IRC22-058 (EMT)** June 13, 2023. On October 31, 2022, the EMT pled guilty to the crimes of Theft Scheme \$1,500 to Under \$25,000 and Welfare Fraud. The crimes occurred during the period beginning October 1, 2017, and ending on November 30, 2019. The EMT was subsequently sentenced to 18 months of supervised probation and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$3,696.00. On March 21, 2023, the Board issued a noncompliance notice to advise the EMT that the Board proposed to place the EMT's certification on probation concurrent with their criminal probation and to require the EMT to complete the restitution ordered by the Circuit Court for the district. The EMT requested a hearing on this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH). By way of a Disposition Agreement, all parties agreed that the EMT's certification be placed on probation concurrent with their criminal probation; afterwards, the EMT will submit documentation to MIEMSS to show that the criminal probation ended. The probation does not make the EMT's certification inactive or otherwise place limitations from the EMS Board on the EMT's



The Right Care When It Counts Maryland EMSC 2024 Program



The Maryland EMS for Children program is In Search Of children and youth in Maryland who have demonstrated Steps to Take in an Emergency or Ways to be Better Prepared for an Emergency. Actions taking place January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, are eligible for nomination. We will be recognizing children and youth who acted so that others would receive "The Right Care When It Counts." Each nominee will receive a patch and certificate and be eligible for a state award at a ceremony during EMS Week 2024. Questions? Email awards@miemss.org

Children and youth who have met one or more of the following criteria are eligible for Right Care Awards:

1. Activates the Emergency Response System by calling 9-1-1 in an emergency
2. Calls the Poison Control Center in an emergency (1-800-222-1222)
3. Provides family emergency phone numbers, address, and contacts to emergency responders
4. Knows and practices an emergency plan at home
5. Applies knowledge learned in a first aid class
6. Performs CPR and/or uses an AED effectively
7. Knows his or her medical history (allergies, medications, special needs, etc.) and shares this information with emergency care professionals
8. Participates in fire and injury prevention education in the community
9. Prepares, with his or her family, to respond to a disaster
10. Provides emergency assistance in the community

Nominations for 2024 Awards are DUE by March 29, 2024 (Friday).
Submit through the online link:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/dc5605d40ced4ae4b77d62cca788ea8b>

For more information about the 2024 Maryland EMS Awards, or to submit nominations, visit www.MIEMSS.org, or scan this QR code:





MARYLAND STARS OF LIFE AWARDS

Each year, the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS) celebrates EMS Week by honoring men and women across Maryland who have contributed to the EMS system. The eight categories for awards relate to specific incidents occurring from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.

For further information, call 410-706-3994, or email awards@miemss.org.

MARYLAND STAR OF LIFE AWARD

This award may be given to an individual, multiple individuals, or teams on the same incident for an outstanding rescue under extreme circumstances by EMS personnel.

MARYLAND EMS CITIZEN AWARD

This award is intended for citizen rescuers who have demonstrated quick thinking, fast action, and heroism.

EMS CLINICIAN OF THE YEAR

This award recognizes a clinician who has made outstanding contributions in the past year to the continuous improvement of emergency medical services in Maryland (for example, in the areas of quality assurance, public or EMS education, prevention, delivery of EMS services, and new technology).

EMD CLINICIAN OF THE YEAR

This award is given for extraordinary efforts in assisting the public through dispatch in this vital portion of the Chain of Survival.

OUTSTANDING EMS PROGRAM

This award recognizes a program that offers an innovative approach to reducing death and disability. The program must be affiliated with an EMS system component, such as a hospital, educational facility, rescue squad, or EMS organization.

LEON W. HAYES AWARD FOR LIFETIME EXCELLENCE IN EMS

This award is given to an individual who has devoted a lifetime of dedication to excellence in patient care, compassion and respect for each patient, and commitment to continuous improvement of the Maryland EMS system through his/her professional and personal life.

MARYLAND EMS-CHILDREN (EMS-C) AWARD

This award is given to an adult or program that has demonstrated ongoing dedication and commitment to improving the care for children and for promoting Family-Centered Care in a Maryland EMS program or hospital.

MARYLAND EMS-GERIATRIC (EMS-G) AWARD

This award is given to an individual or program that has demonstrated ongoing dedication and commitment to improving the EMS care of the elderly in Maryland.

Nominations for 2024 Awards are DUE by FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024.

Submit through the online link:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/8bbe19fab5914734a84acc67beff8a7f>

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ability to practice under their certification.

■ **IRC23-004 (EMT)** June 13, 2023. During the period spanning from September 1, 2021, through December 17, 2022, the EMT failed to complete in excess of 125 electronic patient care reports in a timely manner as required by COMAR. On April 12, 2023, the Board issued a noncompliance notice to advise the EMT that the Board proposed to suspend the EMT's certification for six (6) months. After the six-month suspension, the EMT would be placed on probation for one (1) year, during which time MIEMSS would monitor submission of eMEDS® reports, based on quarterly reporting from the jurisdictional EMSOP. Failure to complete future eMEDS® reports would result in further disciplinary action, up to and including revocation. The EMT requested a hearing with the OAH, and all parties agreed in a Disposition Agreement that the EMT's certification be subject to a 60-day suspension, which is stayed pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, and that the EMT's certification be placed on probation for two (2) years from the date of the Agreement. At any time during the two-year probationary period, if MIEMSS determines that the EMT has six (6) or more outstanding patient care reports, MIEMSS will require the EMT to show cause in writing within five (5) days as to why the suspension of their certificate should not take effect. If the EMS Board determines that good cause is not shown, the EMS Board will end the stay of the EMT's 60-

day suspension, and the suspension will become effective immediately.

■ **IRC23-007 (EMT)** August 14, 2023. On January 17, 2023, the EMT was assigned to an Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) program for a supervised period of nine (9) months, for the crime of DUI: Gen Imp/Inc. of Driving Safely – 1st off. As a result of the above findings, the EMT's certification is placed on probation for one (1) year from the date of this decision.

■ **IRC23-013 (EMT)** September 14, 2023. On July 12, 2021, the EMT was issued probation before judgment for a supervised period of one (1) year, for the crime of Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol Per Se. As a result of the above findings, the EMT's certification is placed on probation for one (1) year from the date of the final decision.

■ **IRC23-015 (EMT)** September 14, 2023. On March 23, 2023, an incident of failure to meet the appropriate standards of care while providing emergency medical services occurred involving the EMT. As a result of the above findings, the EMT was reprimanded and the EMT's certification placed on probation for one (1) year from the date of the final decision. Additionally, the performance improvement plan assigned by the jurisdictional EMS operational program must be completed prior to or during this probationary period.

■ **IRC23-018 (EMT)** September 14, 2023. On April 26, 2021, the EMT was issued probation before judgment for a supervised period of three (3) years, for the crimes of Driving, Attempting to Drive, While Under the Influence of Alcohol Per

Se, and Carrying a Loaded Handgun in a Vehicle. As a result, the EMT's certification was placed on probation for one (1) year from the date of the final decision.

■ **IRC22-062 (APPLICANT)** October 4, 2023. On October 15, 2022, the Applicant responded to the scene of an emergency, and performed a patient assessment at the scene of a motor vehicle crash. The Applicant was not certified as an EMT when this event occurred. As a result of the above findings, the Applicant was reprimanded and the Applicant's certification was placed on probation for one (1) year from the date of this final decision.

■ **IRC23-017 (PARAMEDIC)** October 10, 2023. On April 5, 2023, during an EMS response, the Paramedic failed to provide the appropriate standard of care to a medical patient. The Paramedic was assigned to an ALS preceptor for a period of four (4) months, with 100% quality assurance review of all calls to which the Paramedic responds. Prior to this incident, the Paramedic had been placed on a six (6) month performance improvement plan on January 12, 2023, as a result of an incident of substandard EMS care provided during a call for service on November 10, 2022. The April 5, 2023, incident was discovered as part of the 100% quality assurance review ordered by this performance improvement plan. As a result of the above findings, the Paramedic was reprimanded, and the Paramedic's license placed on probation for two (2) years from the date of the final decision, with the condition that they

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□ **Smartboard:** Allow supervisors to use multiple platforms to monitor resource deployment and increase on-scene situational awareness.

□ **Manikins:** Support in replicating an actual person during training events.

■ **Mass Casualty Incident Supplies Transport Truck.** MDERS in partnership with Holy Cross Hospital System procured a Ford F-650 Super Duty Box Truck to expedite the retrieval and distribution of critical medical supplies during acute surge events in the Maryland-National Capital Region. This transport truck has enhanced accessibility, deployment, and storage of medical consumables for MDERS hospital stakeholders, thus improving regional healthcare response efforts.

■ **Medical Resource Officer.** To bolster public health operations, MDERS continued to fund essential roles within Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services (MC DHHS) and Prince George's County Health Department (PGHD). The Medical Resource Officer (MRO) position provides logistical, medical, and other critical functions to support response efforts to public health crises. In FY20, the MRC for MC DHHS participated in community engagement activities and vaccination clinics to educate the public on the COVID-19 vaccines. The MRO for PGHD used their resources to furnish COVID-19 testing kits to the public and increase their volunteer operations to serve vulnerable community members from diverse backgrounds.

■ **Public Access Trauma Care.** MDERS supported the Public Access Trauma Care (PATC) program with

additional supplies to expand the capability within Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. MDERS procured 85 training kits for Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS), which include 15 tourniquets, 15 elastic bandages, 15 gauze bandages, 15 two-pack chest seal trainers, ten wound cube simulators, three emergency trauma dressings, cloth tape, quick litter, two emergency blankets, two shears, two-pack chest seals, two rolls of compressed gauze, two pairs of medical gloves, two sharpies markers, two mini duct tape rolls, and a sealed PATC kit.

■ **Law Enforcement Special Events Response Cache.** In FY20, MDERS procured 85 special event personal protective equipment (PPE) kits for officers. The kits increase the safety of officers during deployments for active violence and/or public order incidents. Each kit contains full-body protective equipment, helmets, and ballistic shields. In addition to the kits, MDERS supported the participation of MCPD and PGPD in the Civil Disturbance Unit (CDU) Level 1 Training to ensure officers carry out appropri-

ate response procedures and enhance their skillsets on maintaining public safety.

■ **Tactical Equipment for Law Enforcement.** The tactical equipment for MCPD and PGPD included several types of innovative and advanced equipment. MCPD and PGPD received thermal monocular, night vision goggles, ballistic shields, ICOR Robots, Iris Robots, training supplies, ballistic plates, and tactical cold weather gear. During response operations, MCPD and PGPD use the tactical equipment to increase situational awareness and ensure officer safety.

Fiscal Year 2020 afforded MDERS, and its stakeholder partners the ability to further its mission of building and enhancing response capabilities within Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. In the coming fiscal years, MDERS will continue to support its stakeholders and the communities they serve through planning, organizing, equipment acquisition, training and exercising. For more information about FY20 or any of the projects listed above, please contact MDERS by email at mders@maryland.gov. ■

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complete the four (4) month preceptorship required by the jurisdiction's EMS Operational Program, followed by 100% QA review for a period of six (6) months.

■ **IRC23-020 (APPLICANT)** October 10, 2023. On December 23, 2016, the Paramedic was issued probation before judgment for an unsupervised period of 18 months, for the crime of

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol Per Se. Additionally, on September 21, 2017, the Paramedic was sentenced to 60 days in jail, with all suspended, and issued unsupervised probation before judgment for a supervised period of 12 months for the crime of Driving While Impaired. As a result of the above findings, the Paramedic's license was placed on probation until the end of the current licensure cycle. ■

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by Timeline Administrators or the Timeline Review Committee. Below are detailed instructions for submitting content to each category, beginning with Events, which is the default page you will see when first logging in.

■ **EMS Events.** To add an EMS event/milestone to the timeline, enter the title or short descriptor into the first text field, and a full description into the second text field. Next, use the Category dropdown to select an appropriate category for your entry, and the Year dropdown to select the appropriate year. Click "Add MEIMSS/EMS Event" and your entry will be submitted for review into the system.

■ **Documents.** Enter the title or short descriptor of the document



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into the "Caption" field (optionally, you may add relevant comma separated keywords into the "Keywords" field for better searchability. Next, enter a full description of the document into the "Description" field. Use the "Year" dropdown to choose the appropriate year for the document. Use the "Category" dropdown to choose the appropriate category for the document. If you have a thumbnail image for the document, you may upload one using the "Thumbnail File" file selector by clicking "Choose File" and navigating to the image on your computer. This is optional, and if you do not upload a thumbnail file, a default PDF icon will be used instead. Click "Choose File" next to "PDF Document File" to navigate to the document on your computer and upload it. Please compress any documents if possible; the file size limit for a document is 10MB. Finally, click "Upload File" to submit your document entry for review.

■ **Images.** To add an image to the timeline, enter the title or a short descriptor of the image into the first Caption text field, comma-separated keywords (optional) into the Keywords text field, and a description of the image into the Description text field. Next, use the Category dropdown to select an appropriate category for your entry, and the Year dropdown to select the appropriate year. To upload the image itself, click the Choose File file selector and navigate to the image on your computer and select it. Please note, only .jpg, .jpeg, .gif, and .png file formats are allowed for image submissions. Click Upload Image to upload your image file and submit your entry for review into the system.

■ **Videos.** To add a video to the timeline, first ensure the video is hosted on YouTube, or upload it to YouTube prior to adding it into the system. First, add the title of the video into the Caption text field. Next, you may opt to add relevant, comma-separated keywords into the Keywords field for better searchability. Use the Year and Category dropdown selectors to choose the appropriate year and category for the video you are adding.

To add the video itself, enter the YouTube video ID into the Video File text field. For example, the URL for the MIEMSS video Celebrating 50 Years of the EMS System is <https://youtube.com/watch?v=y6L7rPDjI-s>. Therefore, to add this video, you would copy and paste "y6L7rPDjI-s" (without the quotations) into the video file text field. Finally, click Add Video Resource to submit your entry for review into the system.

To learn more about the Interactive History Timeline, visit <https://history.miemss.org/>. ■

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