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## Clay B. Stamp Appointed Chair of Maryland's EMS Board



Clay B. Stamp, NRP  
Chair, Maryland EMS Board

Governor Larry Hogan has appointed Clay B. Stamp as the chair of the Maryland Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Board. Stamp is currently the Talbot County Director of Emergency Services and Assistant County Manager, as well as Senior Advisor to Governor Hogan for Emergency Management

and the chair of the Governor's Emergency Management Advisory Council.

"Providing quality emergency medical services to Marylanders is a responsibility we take very seriously," said Governor Larry Hogan. "Clay's emergency management expertise will be a key asset to this board and help reinforce the best practices that have made Maryland's EMS system a national model."

Mr. Stamp takes over as Chair of the EMS Board as only the second person to fill the position since MIEMSS was re-established as a separate state agency in 1992. Mr. Stamp takes over from Mr. Donald L. DeVries, Jr., Esq., who has served as the Chair of Maryland's EMS Board since its inception. The 11 member board, appointed by the Governor, is comprised of representatives from organizations involved in providing emergency care services. The EMS Board oversees the state's trauma and EMS system and has statutory oversight authority.

"I am honored to have been asked by Governor Hogan to oversee Maryland's Emergency Medical Services System as chair of the EMS Board, serving alongside the other dedicated Board members," said Clay Stamp. "I look forward to working hand in hand

with our partner organizations and the many individuals that make our system great. As a licensed Maryland paramedic, I am proud to be a part of our EMS system. It always has been about our patients and saving lives."

Mr. Stamp has a long history within Maryland's EMS system, beginning as an EMS provider in Ocean City. He then served the people of Ocean City in numerous emergency services capacities, including Director of Emergency Services. Additionally, he has held the position of Deputy Director of MIEMSS, where he had oversight responsibility for the statewide EMS Communications System, Regional Programs, Information Technology, Emergency

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## EMS Agenda 2050 Officially Released

After more than two years of stakeholder and public input, the Office of EMS at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and its federal partners have released "EMS Agenda 2050: A People-Centered Vision for the Future of Emergency Medical Services." The document describes a vision for evidence-based, data-driven EMS that is integrated with the rest of the nation's healthcare system. EMS Agenda 2050's people-centered vision is grounded in six

guiding principles. The EMS system of the future should be:

- Inherently safe and effective
- Integrated and seamless
- Socially equitable
- Reliable and prepared
- Sustainable and efficient
- Adaptable and innovative

The principles and recommendations within EMS Agenda 2050 build upon, rather than replace, the groundbreaking EMS

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# New Region III Medical Director and Associate Medical Director

The Office of the Medical Director is pleased to announce the appointment of Matthew J. Levy, DO, MSc, FACEP, FAEMS, NRP as the MIEMSS Region III Medical Director. Dr. Levy is board certified in Emergency Medicine and Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

In addition to his new responsibilities with MIEMSS, Dr. Levy is the Medical Director of the Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services. He is an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, the Associate Director of the Johns Hopkins Emergency Medical Services Fellowship, the Associate Medical Director of Johns Hopkins Lifeline Critical Care Transport Team, and he is a Deputy Commander with the Maryland Disaster Medical Assistance Team.

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Planning, and Operations. He previously served as the Executive Director of the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), in which he was the Governor's chief advisor regarding emergency situations and coordinated statewide efforts along with local emergency management jurisdictions. Most recently, he was Executive Director of the state's Opioid Operational Command Center where he established a statewide "System of Coordination" to aggressively combat the opioid crisis in Maryland, before returning to his current position with Talbot County's Emergency Services.

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Agenda for the Future, originally published in 1996. The process to review and revise the original Agenda was first recommended by the National EMS Advisory Council, a formal federal advisory group of EMS representatives and consumers authorized by Congress to provide advice and recommendations regarding EMS and NHTSA, to the members of the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS.

During 2017 and 2018, the EMS Agenda 2050 vision was developed through a process that included several public meetings held across the country, online opportunities for input, and multiple rounds of public comment to provide feedback on drafts. Although the process was shepherded by a Technical Expert Panel, the goal was to involve as many members of the EMS community and the public as possible to accommodate multiple viewpoints and develop a vision that addresses key goals for the entire profession.

EMS Agenda 2050 was developed with funding from the NHTSA Office of EMS, the Health Resources & Services Administration EMS for Children program, the US Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, and the US Department of Homeland Security.

Visit [EMS.gov](https://www.ems.gov) to download EMS Agenda 2050 and access other resources, including a brief video about the project.

Dr. Levy's career in EMS and disaster response spans over two decades, starting as a paramedic. He has maintained an active role in a variety of local, state, and federal, as well as international elements related to emergency medical and disaster care.

Dr. Levy completed his medical degree at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and his undergraduate and graduate degrees in Emergency Health Services at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Dr. Levy completed a residency in Emergency Medicine at Johns Hopkins Hospital where he also served as Chief Resident.

The Office of the Medical Director is also pleased to announce the appointment of Jennifer Guyther, MD, as the MIEMSS Associate Region III Medical Director. Dr. Guyther is board certified in Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics. In addition to her new responsibilities with MIEMSS, Dr. Guyther is also a Deputy Medical Director for the Baltimore City Fire Department. She is the Co-Director of the combined residency program in Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Dr. Guyther started her EMS career after high school as a volunteer in Baltimore County. She earned her medical degree at the University of Maryland School of Medicine and completed her combined residency training in Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics at the University of Maryland Medical Center.



*Region III Medical Director,  
Dr. Matthew Levy*



*Region III Associate Medical Director,  
Dr. Jennifer Guyther*



## Upcoming Pediatric Education Opportunities

- **March 8-9, 2019**  
*Miltenberger EMS & Trauma Conference 2019*  
**Friday (3/8/19) EMSC Preconference Offering:**  
*AHA's Pediatric Assessment, Recognition & Stabilization (PEARS) Course*  
**Location:** Rocky Gap Conference Center, Allegany County  
*Register through the Miltenberger Trauma & EMS Conference*
- **March 15, 2019**  
*PEPP-3 Hybrid Course for BLS & ALS providers*  
**Location:** MIEMSS Headquarters, Baltimore, MD  
*Register online at:*  
<https://eecreg3.wufoo.com/forms/pepp3-hybrid-course/>

For more information, email [pepp@miemss.org](mailto:pepp@miemss.org)

## 2019 Educational Programs SAVE THE DATES

### March 8-9, 2019

*17th Annual Miltenberger Emergency Services Seminar*  
Rocky Gap, Flintsone, Md.

### March 23, 2019

*Public Education & Life Safety Seminar*  
MFRI Headquarters, College Park, Md.

### April 8 - 9, 2019

*Delmarva Safety Association's Health and Safety Conference*  
Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel, Ocean City, Md.

### April 25 - 28, 2019

*Maryland EMS Care 2019*  
Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel, Ocean City, Md.

### May 1 - 2, 2019

*The Maryland RA Spring 2019 Two-day Resuscitation Academy*  
Howard County Public Safety Training Center,  
Marriottsville, Md.

### June 15 - 20, 2019

*Maryland State Firemen's Association Annual Conference and Convention 2019*  
Ocean City, Md.



## Attention ALS Providers!

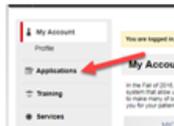
ALS providers whose licenses  
are expiring

**April 30, 2019**

*Your renewal application is now available!*

You can access it by logging in to  
[www.miemsslicense.com](http://www.miemsslicense.com)

1. Click Applications Tab >>
2. Then click the Apply Now button next to the Application for Renewal.



Application for Renewal Paramedic:  
This application MUST be received by MIEMSS at least 14 days prior to expiration of your current Paramedic license. 50 days until application period closes.

If you have any questions, contact MIEMSS Office of Licensure and Certification at 800-762-7157 or 410-706-3666.



All EMS Operational Programs have switched from eMEDS to Elite. In order for the out-of-hospital cardiac arrest PCR reports to be posted to CARES, the PCR reports for patients that were declared at the scene WITH interventions or the PCR reports for patients that were transported to the hospital must have all relevant data elements must be completed. Please also make note of the following:

1. The validation score must be 95 or greater.
2. Incident County, State and Zip Code must be completed.
3. If the patient had an AED applied prior to EMS arrival, "Who First Applied AED" cannot equal "Responding EMS Personnel".
4. Fire/First Responder must be complete.
5. If the patient is transported (including response disposition of "Dead at Scene, WITH Interventions (Transport)), transport mode and type of transport vehicle must be completed as well as destination information.
6. All times must be completed including back in service date/time.
7. Location type must be completed.
8. Age must be completed – estimate if necessary.

# Baltimore City Fire Department Partners with University of Maryland Medical Center Mobile Integrated Health – Community Paramedicine Program

The University of Maryland Medical Center (UMMC), the City of Baltimore and Baltimore City Fire Department (BCFD), and the University of Maryland, Baltimore have joined together to launch a new healthcare delivery model for selected areas of Baltimore City. University of Maryland Medical System nurses and doctors are partnering with Baltimore City Fire Department EMS providers in a new mobile care model of service to bring treatment to areas in West Baltimore. This effort supports the health of Baltimore City citizens through a multidisciplinary care model for patients which provides care outside a hospital setting. The two year pilot program is designed to prevent unnecessary emergency room visits and ambulance trips while also helping patients returning from the hospital to manage chronic conditions at home. The Mobile Integrated Healthcare - Community

Paramedicine (MIH-CP) program provides community-based care through two types of initiatives: Minor Definitive Care Now and Transitional Health Support. The Minor Definitive Care Now program is focused on providing medical treatment to appropriate patients at the scene of illness or injury. After responding to a 9-1-1 call, Baltimore City EMS personnel determine if the patient is appropriate for an on-site evaluation and definitive care by a paramedic-advanced provider (physician or nurse practitioner) team. If the patient meets specific criteria, he/she is informed of the services available through the program and are able to opt-in to the program or be transported to the hospital. The team can arrange for follow-up care with appropriate healthcare providers and hopefully eliminate the need for transport. After being evaluated, patients still have the option to request to be taken to the emergency

department. The second approach to the MIH-CP program is the Transitional Health Support initiative which improves the transition of care from the hospital to the home for patients. This program targets individuals with chronic diseases that require frequent hospitalization. Working together with the BCFD, the UMMC will identify these patients at discharge and link them with a community paramedic nurse team. This team will then deliver follow-up care and assist with chronic disease management for 30 days, including facilitating care coordination. A physician or nurse practitioner, who may be present in-person or by telemedicine link, augments the paramedic-nurse team on home visits. During the pilot program, data from both components of the MIH-CP program will be collected and analyzed to evaluate outcomes of patients, cost savings, patient satisfaction, and the possible application across the city and state.



Members of the Baltimore City Fire Department team are pictured with Dr. Tim Chizmar, (far left, rear) State EMS Medical Director, Maryland Congressman Elijah Cummings (center), and Dr. David Marcozzi, (far right), Deputy Medical Director for MIH-CP, BCFD; and UMMC.



Joining together at the MIH-CP announcement are (left to right) Dr. Mohan Suntha, President and CEO of UMMC; Dr. David Marcozzi, Deputy Medical Director for MIH-CP, BCFD; and UMMC; Chief Niles Ford, BCFD; Baltimore Mayor Catherine Pugh; Maryland Congressman Elijah Cummings; and Dr. Jay Perman, President, University of Maryland, Baltimore.

# 2019 EMS Educator's Symposium

On January 10, 2019, MIEMSS, in coordination with the Chesapeake College EMS Program, held the 2019 EMS Educator's Symposium in Wye Mills. The full day symposium was led by Mr. William Seifarth, Executive Director of the National Registry of EMTs and Dr. Gregory Applegate, the Chief Science Officer at the National Registry of EMTs in Columbus, Ohio. The workshop provided participants with a knowledge base in cognitive competency measurement. This included information on both formative and summative assessments. Interactive sessions allowed the participants to write and develop actual questions. An overview of what the National Registry for EMTs is as an organization was also presented.



*William Seifarth, Executive Director of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians addressed the educators during the annual symposium.*



*MIEMSS Licensure and Certification Department personnel meet with Dr. Gregory Applegate, the Chief Science Officer at the National Registry of EMTs and Mr. William Seifarth, Executive Director of the National Registry of EMTs (pictured fourth and fifth from left).*

# The Maryland RA Spring 2019 Two-day Resuscitation Academy



The Maryland RA Spring 2019 Two-day Resuscitation Academy has been scheduled for May 1 and 2, 2019 from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm at the Howard County Public Safety Training Center, 2200 Scott Wheeler Drive, in Marriottsville, Maryland. This audience is directed to Medical Directors, EMS supervisors, Fire/EMS Chiefs, EMS personnel of all levels, and Emergency Department staff across Maryland and surrounding regions. Attendees can expect to increase understanding of the interventions important to pre-hospital cardiac arrest survival and learn to implement ways to track and improve survival rates in the community. Please go to: [ramaryland.org](http://ramaryland.org) for more information.

## Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge



On January 25, 2019, Team MIEMSS participated in this year's Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge. They "plunged" into the chilly 37.5 degree water of the Chesapeake Bay. Fundraising efforts from the event supported the 7,549 athletes of Special Olympics Maryland. Pictured (left to right) are team members Pete Fiackos, Michael Cooney, Jeannie Abramson, Dr. Tim Chizmar, Dr. Luis Pinet Peralta, and Jim Brown.



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## MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION CANCER SUPPORT NETWORK

4th Annual  
Courage Awareness  
5k Walk  
Annapolis, MD

Sunday, April 28th 2019

REGISTRATION BEGINS at 7:00AM with Walk starting at 8:30AM

Maryland Fire-Rescue Services Memorial Park  
101 Calvert Street, Annapolis, MD  
21401

\*Rain or Shine

Early Registration \$25.00 per person/Day of \$30.00 per person  
Includes 5K Walk T-Shirt (tickets will be issued)

5K starts at 8:30AM with last walker in by 10:00AM

Questions/Contact Johnie Roth: 202-215-2954 or email: johnie.roth@bccrs.org

Make check payable to Maryland State Firemen's Association, memo: Cancer Support  
mail to: Johnie Roth: 19104 Treadway Road, Brookeville, MD 20833

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(Circle all that apply.) Choose T-Shirt or Challenge Coin (T-Shirt sizes only guaranteed to pre-registered)

Sex: M or F T-Shirt Size: (Adult sizes) XS - S - M - L - XL - 2X - 3X Challenge Coin

Donations only for Maryland State Firemen's Association Cancer Support Network - \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I know that running/walking a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run/walk unless I am medically able and properly trained, with running/walking this event including but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effort of the weather, the conditions of the road and traffic on the course, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts, and in consideration of your accepting my entry to participate in MSFA 5K Walk, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the organizers of liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver. By signing this waiver and release I certify that I fully understand its significance.

Participant Waiver Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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