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EMS WEEK 2019 - EMS STRONG: BEYOND THE CALL

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) has designated May 19-25, 2019, as Emergency Medical Services Week 2019. National EMS Week will bring together local communities of emergency medical personnel to recognize and honor those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services on the medical front line.

National EMS Week activities will be planned around this year's theme, "EMS Strong: Beyond The Call" campaign, which seeks to celebrate, unify and inspire the men and women of our nation's emergency medical services.

Your dedication to improving the lives of others is a hallmark of the EMS profession. But we can only do so much individually. The truth is, we're at our best when (and because) we work together – within our EMS service, with neighboring departments, hospitals and other healthcare providers. Responding and providing care side-by-side, with countless hours of preparation and training, we impact the lives of our patients, their families, and our communities. **Beyond The Call**.

During EMS Week 2019, various activities will be taking place throughout the five boroughs to recognize the dedicated men and women of our pre-hospital care community who answer the call to care every day. Be proud of yourself, the community you belong to, and the important work you do, knowing your efforts are appreciated every day.

2. EMS WEEK 2019 COMMEMORATIVE GIFTS

The Bureau of EMS will be issuing commemorative gifts to each member for EMS Week 2019.

Station Commanding Officers are reminded that the EMS Week commemorative duffel bag and pin are to be issued to each individual member as indicated on the distribution list. Officers are responsible for safeguarding and distributing these items when a member is on leave *(e.g., Annual Leave, Medical Leave).*

EMS Week commemorative duffel bag and pins for members who are not performing in a full-duty capacity at their assigned station during EMS Week will not be distributed by EMS Operations. These members may contact their Station Commanding Officer or Deputy Chief Evan Suchecki at EMS Operations (718) 999-1738 to arrange for distribution.

3. EMS WEEK 2019 ANNUAL EMS RECOGNITION MASS

On Monday, May 20, 2019, at 1200 hours, the Annual EMS Recognition Mass will be celebrated at St. Boniface Church, located at 190 Duffield Street, Brooklyn, NY. The Mass will honor all active members of the FDNY EMS workforce.

All EMS Headquarters staff, off-duty members and their families are encouraged to attend. Members are requested to attend in dress uniform.

4. EMS WEEK 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

In association with EMS Week, the New York City Fire Department has planned a series of Citywide events. An index detailing these events is attached.

In addition to these citywide events, Divisions will be coordinating a number of events on the station level. Members are encouraged to review postings and information available through their station.

Tuesday, May 14, 2019

National EMS Memorial Bike Ride- Muddy Angel, Luncheon – EMS Station 22 Willowbrook, Staten Island 12:15pm .

Thursday, May 16, 2019

Unveiling of EMS Week 2019 Poster- FDNY Headquarters, Lobby 9 Metro Tech Center – 3:00 pm

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Friday, May 17, 2019

National EMS Memorial Service – Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center, Oxon Hill, MD

Friday, May 17 – Saturday, May 18, 2019

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8th Annual Memorial 5K Run Joyner-Restko Memorial – Fort Totten, Bayside Queens – 9:00am

Race Day -Registration starts 07:30

Closing of National EMS Memorial Service – Oxon Hill, MD

Sunday, May 19, 2019

Empire State Building will be lit in EMS colors in honor of EMS Week

Monday, May 20, 2019

Annual Staten Island EMS Recognition Ceremony hosted by S.I. Borough President at:
The Staaten, 697 Forest Avenue, Staten Island at 10:00 am (By invitation only).

Annual EMS Remembrance Mass – 12:00 (St. Boniface Church, 190 Duffield Street, Brooklyn N.Y.) Mass will honor all active members of the FDNY EMS workforce.

REMSCO – EMS Appreciation & Awards Ceremony at Interchurch Building, 475 Riverside Drive, 6:00pm–9:00pm.

NY Mets – EMS Appreciation Night – 7:00pm – NY Mets vs. Washington, Citifield, Flushing NY (mets.com/EMS)

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

NYS EMS Memorial Ceremony – Empire State Plaza, Albany NY at 11:00am

Second Chance Brunch for Cardiac Arrest Survivors and Rescuers @10:00am at Liberty Warehouse, 260 Conover Street, Brooklyn NY (by invitation only)

Wednesday, May 22, 2019
EMS Location/Station (Contact Division offices for event details within that Division).
Thursday, May 23, 2019
FDNY/EMS Competition/Health Fair – 8:00am – 3:00pm in the Metro Tech Commons (Outside FD HQ).
Friday, May 24, 2019
EMS Location/Station Day (*Contact Division offices for event details within that Division).*

Please see associated Operations Orders for additional details or check with the Divisions for all Division Events.

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