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Emergency Medical Services Week Recognized By Hunterdon Freeholder Board

The Hunterdon County Freeholder Board designated the week of May 19 – 25 as Emergency Medical Services Week to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical services providers in Hunterdon County.

Suzanne Lagay, Director of the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders said, “The members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They offer help to anyone who places a call in our communities and it is without prejudice. This proclamation is our way of showing gratitude to them for their tireless service.”

According to the National Institutes of Health, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury. Emergency Medical Services fill a gap, providing important medical care before the patient arrives at the hospital.

Emergency medical services providers, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills. The community is invited to observe this week to say thank you with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.