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Commissioner Recognize 27 Emergency Medical Providers, Proclaim EMS Week

Carlisle, Pa. – They are the special few, working to save lives under some of the most challenging circumstances. Today, the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners recognized and thanked all emergency medical personal for their service and proclaimed May 20-26, 2018 as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week. EMS awareness week was established in 1974 by the American College of Emergency Physicians in an effort to recognize EMS professionals for their dedication in providing day-to-day "front line" lifesaving services.

As part of EMS Week, the Commissioners and the Cumberland County EMS Council presented Citations of Special Recognition to [27 Cumberland County EMT's and Paramedics](#), for their exemplary service in the emergency medical services field. The individuals recognized have been credited with clinical saves within the last year. According to the Emergency Health Services Federation (EHSF), a clinical save is when a patient in cardiac arrest is resuscitated by EMS in the field and subsequently survives to be discharged from a hospital, with little or no neurological deficiency.

EHSF is the regional EMS Council for Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry and York Counties. EHSF works to maintain and where possible advance the regional EMS system in south central Pennsylvania. For more information on EHSF and the Clinical Save Commendation program visit www.ehsf.org/.

Cumberland County will participate in the national campaign, "EMS Strong," launched by the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) and the American College of Emergency Physicians, throughout EMS week. To learn more about this campaign, visit www.emsstrong.org.

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Cumberland County is the fastest growing county in the Commonwealth and offers the perfect mix of small town, suburban and rural living. Established in 1750, Cumberland County consistently maintains one of the lowest tax and unemployment rates in the State, while providing exceptional services for its more than 250,000 residents. More information on Cumberland County can be found at www.ccpa.net.

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