What's Happening

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

From the Front Lines to the Our Front Door: Recognizing Emergency Medical Service Workers

National EMS Week, May 18 - 24, celebrates and honors the hundreds of thousands of EMS practitioners serving our communities nationwide.

EMS is recognized for its role in saving lives, transporting patients to the right place for the best treatment, and setting the stage for a positive care experience by showing caring and compassion to patients in what can be scary, traumatic situations.

Emergency medical technicians (EMTs), also known as paramedics, respond to a wide range of medical scenarios. These situations are often a patient's entry into the health care system.

MMC works with multiple EMS transport providers from across the state, including LifeFlight, the patient transport helicopter.

The Rapid Emergency Medical Information System (REMIS) department at MMC works closely with the ED and EMS transport providers to coordinate patient transfer and drop-off, ensuring the proper continuum of care for every patient delivered to our ambulance bay.

"You get to help people," Jeff Grinnell, a paramedic at the Scarborough Fire Department, says of his work. "Someone may be having their worst day, and you get to make it better."



Matt Sholl, M.D., M.P.H., MMC Emergency Department; Jeff Grinnell, Firefighter and Paramedic, Scarborough Fire Department; Shannon Mazyck, Firefighter and Paramedic, Scarborough Fire Department; Christopher Pare, Paramedic and Program Manager, MMC Emergency Department.

Bean 2 Construction Update:

- Work has started on the Access Road. A covered pedestrian walkway is being built from the garage to the Bean sub-basement for employees who use the "JK" entrance.
- Work has started in the ED parking lot. A pedestrian walkway is under construction, and the ambulance parking spot closest to building will be unavailable for parking.
- The ASU entrance slider is now closed. Patients and visitors are asked to use the exterior ED entrance, and follow signs to "Surgery."
- Gilman Garage North Entrance ("Physician's Entrance") Closure Expected start date: Friday, May 30. This vehicle entrance from the Access Road will close for approximately six months. Expect extra traffic at the Gilman Street entrance. The JK/Employee pedestrian entrance will remain open, and physician parking spots will still be available.

Questions? Marshall Bartlett, 662-2988

May Anniversaries



Joanne Biery 30 Years

40 Years

Annette Palanda, FBC Marjorie Roewer, Nursing Mary Smith, FBC

35 Years

Valerie Chappell, Health Information Management Petronilo Rodriguez, BMC

30 Years

Nancy Beaupre, Patient Care Services Joanne Biery, SSC Steven Desjardins, Pulmonary Medicine Lisa Despres, Health Information Management Allie Diffin. Nutrition Services Robert Fusco Jr., Patient Care Services Linda Jacobson, Psychiatry Lori O'Donnell, ED Brenda Pappalardo, Pulmonary Medicine Tami Perron. Poison Control



Gail Savage 15 Years

Sopheap Phin, Linen Processing

25 Years

Kimberly Bockus, BBCH Ann Marie Bolduc, ED Kathleen Cressey, Registration Mary Ekholm, SSU Jacqueline Kenney, Billing Gertrude Kent, Cardiology

Post Anesthesia Care Janet Nutter, BMC

20 Years

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Ginger Morse, BMC Sameatton Nhonh, Cardiac Cath Lab Jamie Nowinski, SCU Lauri Wilson, P3CD

15 Years

Julie Beecher, FBC Patricia Bowden, Radiology Michael Butt, MMCRI Sharon Files,

Vocational Services Heidi Fox, ASU Debra Kramlich, SCU



Molly Sneden 15 Years

Scott Labrecque, IS Kerry Lepage, OR Shelley Riiska, SSC Gail Savage, R2 Molly Sneden, Psychiatry Humberto Valentin, Clinical Engineering

Melissa Vanmeter, SSU

10 Years

Ashley Burton, ED Carrie Gordon, Nephrology Ashley Holmes, BBCH Eric King, IS Stephanie Lampron, NICU Nancy Lipinski,

Nutrition Services Sean Mckeown, Security Bessie Ouellette, ASU Matthew Perry, Nutrition Services

Nutrition Services Sheila Sears,

Health Information

Management
Jessica Spicer,
Cardiac Surgery
Alem Tedlla, EVS
Susan Willey, Pulmonary
Medicine



Carrie Gordon
10 Years

5 Years

Daniel Andreasen, Nursing Newell Augur, Medicine Debra Barber,

The Boutique Tammy Batchelder, EVS Mikayla Call, Nursing Donna Corkum, R2 Hilary Curtis, R1 Elena Frank,

Health Information Management Rachel Friedel,

Rachel Friedel. Health Information Management Lindsey Gower, MMCRI Leah Grabarz, Pharmacy Lisa Grimaldi, R2 Tami Hadlock, SCU Daniele Heatley, R6 Meaghan Johnson, R2 Justin Liauw, Pharmacy Kathleen Nelson, Billing Helen Perkins, EVS Kevin Pittman, IS Kathleen Richards, BMC Christine Small, R2 Laura Valvou, IS Alissa West, R6



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