



MEMORANDUM

Date: Monday May 19, 2025

To: Alameda County EMS System

From: Alameda County EMS Agency

Subject: EMS Week 2025

This year, **EMS Week will be celebrated from May 18 to May 24, 2025**, and we are proud to recognize the dedication, compassion, and life-saving work of our Emergency Medical Services professionals. The theme for 2025 is "**We Care. For Everyone.**" which highlights the inclusive, compassionate, and community-centered values that define the EMS profession.

EMS Week is a time to show our appreciation for the critical role EMTs, paramedics, dispatchers, and all support personnel play in the healthcare system. Whether responding to emergencies, supporting disaster response, or educating the community, our EMS team exemplifies excellence under pressure.

2025 EMS Award Recipients

We are proud to announce this year's award honorees for their outstanding contributions:

- **EMT of the Year** – Gina Arendtson, Falck Northern California
- **Paramedic of the Year** – Brian Bock, Alameda City Fire Department
- **Off Duty Lifesaving Award** – Laura Gleason, Falck Northern California
- **EMS Program of the Year** – Berkeley Fire Department B.E.A.R. Team
- **EMS Professional of the Year** – Pascal Lemke, Alameda County Fire Department
- **Lifetime Achievement Award** – Julie Haslam, Berkeley Fire Department
- **Clinical Excellence Award** – David Pinto, Livermore Pleasanton Fire Department

Please join us in congratulating these remarkable individuals and teams for their exemplary service and commitment to the community.

To submit individuals and programs for future awards, please use the Alameda County EMS Award Nomination Form located on the Alameda County EMS website homepage under Quick Links.

Let's continue to support, recognize, and uplift all of our EMS professionals throughout the week and beyond.

Thank you for all that you do!