UConn Health JDH Awarded AHA Gold for Excellence in STEMI, Stroke, Heart Failure Care

**UConn John Dempsey Hospital** has received American Heart Association Gold Quality Achievement Awards for the treatment of patients who suffer severe heart attacks, heart failure and stroke.

“These awards could not have been won without the contributions of our EMS partners,” said Richard Kamin, UConn EMS Medical Director. “Their dedication to improving their 12-lead ECG reading ability and stroke assessment and calling in alerts from the scene has improved the quality of life for many people in our community.”

The STEMI award represents the fourth year in a row UConn JDH has won the award, the most in the state. “We commend UConn John Dempsey Hospital for this award in recognition for following evidence-based guidelines for timely heart attack treatment,” said Tim Henry, M.D., Chair of the Mission: Lifeline Acute Coronary Syndrome Subcommittee. “We applaud the significant institutional commitment to their critical role in the system of care for quickly and appropriately treating heart attack patients.”

**EMS Mission: Lifeline Winners**

Congratulations to our UConn JDH EMS partners for the EMS Mission: Lifeline awards:

**GOLD**

New Britain Emergency Medical Services

**SILVER**

Middlesex Hospital Paramedics

**BRONZE**

Bristol Hospital EMS

Granby Ambulance Association

Great job by all of the EMS professionals out there, providing outstanding STEMI and cardiovascular care. Keep it up!

**Simsbury Ambulance Does it Again!**

Simsbury Ambulance crew members Thomas Saline, Karin Stewart, Zachary Mazur and Andrew Albert, along with Simsbury Police Department officer Joe Halt resuscitated a man found in cardiac arrest by the side of the road, delivering a shock and high quality CPR before regaining pulses. The man was released from UConn John Dempsey Hospital six days later alert, oriented and with full neuros intact. A great lifesaving effort from the Simsbury EMS team!
May STEMI Kudos
Bristol EMS paramedics
Michael Cassello and Kevin Watson and EMT Melissa Patrick.
48 Minute Door-to-Balloon. 78 Minute First Medical Contact-to-Balloon Time.
Bristol EMS paramedic Heather Lee and her partner Scott Lamarre.
33 Minute Door-to-Balloon. 61 Minute First Medical Contact-to-Balloon Time.

American Medical Response/Hartford Wins 2018 Governor’s Award
American Medical Response/Hartford was awarded the 2018 Governor’s Award to an outstanding EMS service. AMR won the award for their community service efforts including teaching CPR, and working with community groups on food and toy drives. AMR also has been active in efforts to curb drunk driving and is participating in the Hartford Opioid Pilot Project to use data to help attack the opioid epidemic. AMR Hartford provides 911 ambulance service in Hartford, West Hartford, Newington and Bloomfield as well as other towns. Congratulations on a well deserved award!

May TPA Stroke Kudos
Bristol EMS paramedic Arthur Bellemare, EMT Samantha Staubitz and paramedic student Rachel Kenyon.
Bristol EMS paramedics Alan Green, Jay Nanni and EMT Taylor Gonzalez.
Canton EMS paramedic Chris Berry and EMT David Bondanza.
American Medical Response paramedic Scott Wedge and EMT Joshua Harris.
American Medical Response paramedic Matthew Polesel and EMT Andrew Morgan.

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October 17, 2018
November 21, 2018
December 19, 2018
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UConn EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION

STEMI Care for ALS and BLS
Peter Canning, Paramedic, R.N.

Abdominal Emergencies
Tanya Belle, M.D.

Opioid Epidemic Update
Peter Canning
(3 Hours CME)

Bagels and Coffee will be served
For Questions, email Peter Canning at canning@uchc.edu

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