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EMS WEEK

Thanking our partners in EMS

Issue #1

Bill Toliopoulos

NWC EMSS Reflecting on Our Past

With the start of EMS Week 2025, scheduled for May 18–24, I want to take a moment to recognize and honor the remarkable dedication, strength, and service you bring to our communities each and every day. This year's national theme, "We Care. For Everyone," speaks volumes about the heart of our profession — inclusive, compassionate, and unwavering in the face of any challenge.

For those who are new to our system and would like some background;

EMS began 51 years ago, when President Gerald Ford issued the first proclamation naming a week to honor EMS personnel. In Illinois, EMS all started with Stan and Jan. Mobile Intensive Healthcare Units (now EMS) grew from an idea, that became a magnificent reality on December 1, 1972. Championed by Dr. Stan Zydlo and Jan Schwettman, and supported by a small community of activists and willing hospital and agency allies, lifesaving interventions were brought to our communities and out-of-hospital care was changed forever.

Starting with fewer than 100 EMS personnel working on 9 agencies, our System has grown to include 22 agencies, six hospitals, and over 1500 members who are a beacon of hope for our citizens. We have consistently stood for uncompromising excellence, responsible innovation, shared leadership, outstanding education, and evidence-based practice rooted in quality science yet delivered with kindness, compassion, and empathy.





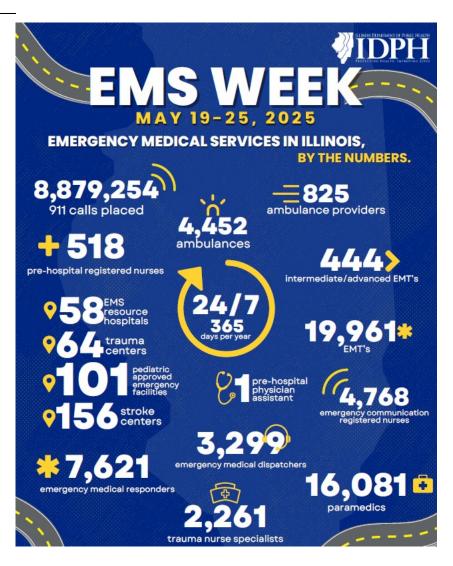
Because there was so much opposition to these new care providers that were going to challenge physicians and take away nurses' jobs, he had to train the first EMT class in his garage (1972)

Through this time many agency and hospital leaders, EMS clinicians, dispatchers, ECRNs, hospital practitioners, educators, administrative assistants; support personnel, and partners in practice have taken part in the ever developing EMS saga. We appreciate each and every one who has made this EMS System what it is today. The unwavering support has continued the standard of excellence we have become so accustomed to.

While we honor each of you, every day – this year's theme is so very fitting. We **THANK YOU** for your tremendous contribution and support – all is strengthened by your endless teamwork and perseverance for over 50 years.

With continuing gratitude for your partnership and service, the EMS team thanks you,

Dr. Matthew Jordan, Kourtney Chesney, Bill Toliopoulos, Colin Finley, Chris Dunn, Michael Gentile, Britney Shlifka, Nichole Junge, Karen Schneider, Pam Ross



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