



Virtua Paramedics Honored

South Jersey residents in good hands in the event of medical emergency

Virtua paramedics have earned five 2015 outstanding emergency medical service (EMS) achievement awards presented by the NJ Department of Health Office of Emergency Medical Services and the NJ Emergency Medical Services Council.

Outstanding Private EMS Agency of the Year: The Virtua Paramedic Service was recognized for achievement and quality in patient care, public access to emergency medical services, disaster preparedness, public education and training.

Outstanding Paramedic of the Year: Presented posthumously to Rebecca "Becky" Scott of Tabernacle for leadership, skill and proficiency in every clinical measure. Becky overcame illness and continued to work as a paramedic until her last shift, 12 days before her passing at age 28.



Outstanding EMS Educator of the Year: Deborah "Debbie" McClintock, Williamstown, for advancing EMS education in New Jersey, selflessly putting the education of emergency responders at the forefront of her career.

Outstanding EMS Safety Award: SouthSTAR, Virtua's medical helicopter service, was honored for excellence in the area of safety. Operated in partnership with the NJ State Police Aviation Bureau, SouthSTAR was recognized as one of the safest air medical programs in the country.

Winner, Annual NJ Simulation Games: Paramedics Andrew Ecker, Woodbury, and Steve Laramie, Merchantville, were awarded first place in the Advanced Life Support division, where teams of emergency medical technicians and paramedics compete in real life scenarios that test their abilities to provide high quality patient care under extremely stressful situations.

Virtua beams with pride and congratulates its outstanding team of paramedics.

