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## **Knox County EMS Team Recognized During Special Week**

*National EMS Week (May 17-23) highlights the importance of emergency medical services.*

KNOX CITY, Texas (May 18, 2020) – Responding to your medical emergency 24 hours a day, seven days a week, emergency medical professionals are a lifeline to communities across the nation. Amid the recent Coronavirus pandemic, with critical illnesses reaching communities, the work EMS professionals is more important than ever. In recognition of National EMS Week, Knox County Hospital District is showing appreciation for emergency medical workers here in Knox County and across the nation.

“Whether you see them on the news, heard a story from a friend, or have had first-hand experience, there is no doubt that EMS professionals are always on the frontline when the unexpected happens,” says Logan Morrow, EMS director at Knox County Hospital District. “Here in Knox County, we are so fortunate to have an incredible team of highly-trained individuals ready to care for us when the unexpected happens.”

National EMS Week is celebrated annually during the third full week of May and coordinated in part by the American College of Emergency Physicians and the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians. This year’s theme is “Ready Today. Preparing for Tomorrow.”

EMS professionals receive specialized training in Basic and Advanced Life Support, in addition to completing the required annual continuing education. These men and women are responsible for providing on-site medical treatment for patients. They also provide crisis intervention, life-saving stabilization and transportation of patients to the hospital when necessary.

The Knox County Hospital District EMS team is comprised of certified and licensed staff members. Team members hold certifications in Basic Life Support CPR, Advance Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support. These men and women also participate in emergency driving classes every two years.

The emergency medical service team consists of emergency medical technicians and paramedics who work collectively with the level IV trauma center at Knox County Hospital.

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“Medical emergencies occur when we least expect them,” Morrow says. “It is in those moments when minutes count. Our ability to provide medical care in a short amount of time can be a lifesaver – and that’s the value EMS professionals provide for any community.”

Knox County Hospital District is asking the local community to join in saluting the important work EMS technicians provide. With their courageous work, area residents can rest assured that medical help is on the way when they need it most.

For more information about local EMS services and other healthcare offerings, please visit the Knox County Hospital District website at [www.knoxhospital.org](http://www.knoxhospital.org). For all medical emergencies, always call 911.

### **About Knox County Hospital District**

Founded in 1926, Knox County Hospital District provides healthcare for residents of Knox County and surrounding areas. The district offers a wealth of medical services, including 24-hour emergency care, advanced radiology services, a clinical laboratory, home health, physical therapy, long-term care, patient education, and more. For additional information, please call 940-657-3535 or visit [www.knoxhospital.org](http://www.knoxhospital.org).

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