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## **DR. JILL MABLEY AND KEITH WAGES VISIT EMS COUNCIL**

Dr Jill Mabley, Deputy Medical Director of the Office of EMS and former Region 1 EMS Medical Director, visited the Region 1 EMS Council meeting in Bremen with Keith Wages, Director of the Office of EMS.

## **GEORGIA EMS CONFERENCE NEWS**

The 25<sup>th</sup> annual EMS/Educator Conference sponsored by Georgia EMS Association will be held at the Savannah Marriott on River Street on October 22-25, 2011. The conference will have provider and educator tracks as well as the ACLS competition, and pre-conference courses. For more information visit the GAEMS website at <http://www.ga-ems.com>

## **GEORGIA NORTHWESTERN PASSES INSPECTION**

Georgia Northwestern Technical College passed the inspection for National Accreditation by COAEMSP which is required by the National Registry of EMTs for testing paramedic program graduates by 2013 in preparation for state licensure. Congratulations to Phillip Tucker and staff for a job well done.



## **SEPTEMBER 11 TENTH ANNIVERSARY NEARS**

The tenth anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack on the World Trade Center in New York, the Pentagon and other targets will occur this year on Sunday September, 11, 2011. We would like pictures and accounts of how your service observed this day. Please send these to AMBUGLANCES Editor and Website Webmaster David Loftin @ [loftindavid@yahoo.com](mailto:loftindavid@yahoo.com)

### **10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National "Fly the Flag Program"**

On Sunday, September 11th, 2011, an American flag should be displayed outside every home, apartment, office, and store in the United States. Every individual should make it their duty to display an American flag on this tenth anniversary of one our country's worst tragedies. We do this in

honor of those who lost their lives on 9/11, their families, friends and loved ones who continue to endure the pain, and those who today are fighting at home and abroad to preserve our cherished freedoms.

In the days, weeks and months following 9/11, our country was bathed in American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. Sadly, those flags have all but disappeared. Our patriotism pulled us through some tough times and it shouldn't take another attack to galvanize us in solidarity. Our American flag is the fabric of our country and together we can prevail over terrorism of all kinds!

### **Action Plan:**

So, here's what we need you to do (1) Forward this email to everyone you know (at least 11 people). Please don't be the one to break this chain. Take a moment to think back to how you felt on 9/11 and let those sentiments guide you.

(2) Fly an American flag of any size on 9/11. Honestly, Americans should fly the flag year-round, but if you don't, then at least make it a priority on this day.

**Thank you for your participation.**

## **GEORGIA CRISIS MANAGEMENT COURSE**

A new Georgia Crisis Management Train-the-Trainer course will be presented in Region 1 to prepare providers to deal with behavioral problems. The programs will be held on September 19 in Dalton at the Winkler Building and in Cedartown at the EMS Building. Both programs will be held from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Applications are on the Region 1 website and should be e-mailed to [dtfoster@dhr.state.ga.us](mailto:dtfoster@dhr.state.ga.us) David Foster encourages 2-3 people from each service as well as hospital personnel to attend this program.

## **NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR GAEMS NAMED**

The Georgia Association of EMS has announced the appointment of Kim Littleton as the new Executive Director. Ms. Littleton served in the Georgia Governmental Affairs Office in the Georgia Legislature; Executive Director of the State Transportation Board; Director of the Human Resources and Public Affairs Office at Phoebe Putney Hospital as well as working as a paramedic at a private ambulance service. Welcome, Kim.

## **FLOYD MEDICAL CENTER WINS CONTRACT FOR POLK MEDICAL CENTER**

The Polk County Hospital Authority and Floyd Medical Center have announced that Floyd Medical Center of Rome, Georgia has been awarded the contract to manage Polk Medical Center currently located in Cedartown. Part of the agreement will be construction of a new hospital.