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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES  
2017 CALIFORNIA EMS AWARD RECIPIENTS**

*Twenty-four (24) Californians will be honored for their heroic acts and extraordinary contributions to EMS on December 6<sup>th</sup> in San Francisco.*

SACRAMENTO - Dr. Howard Backer, Director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA), has announced the recipients of California Emergency Medical Services Awards for 2017. Initiated in 2007, the annual awards honor and recognize exceptional acts and service by individuals working or volunteering in California's emergency medical system.

EMS personnel are trained to provide stabilizing and lifesaving care. These EMS awards honor and recognize noteworthy or extraordinary acts, and outstanding service while working as EMS certified or licensed personnel, administrators, educators, volunteers or civilians within the EMS system.

"I am pleased to announce a select group of EMS professionals who exhibit excellence and exceptional service," said Director Backer. "These men and women epitomize the spirit of caring and commitment to quality healthcare that embodies these awards. They deserve official recognition for their contributions in making California's EMS system one of the best in the world."

Most of the awards will be presented during a luncheon ceremony following the regular meeting of the Commission on Emergency Medical Services on December 6<sup>th</sup> in San Francisco at the Marines' Memorial Club & Hotel. Clinical Excellence Awards will be presented at the recipients' home stations and are not part of the formal ceremony in San Francisco.

The award ceremony is generously sponsored by Kaiser Permanente, Hospital Council of Northern & Central California, Medic Ambulance, Bound Tree Medical, California Professional Firefighters, American Medical Response, California Fire Chiefs Association, and California Ambulance Association. The event is held at no cost to the State of California. For additional information about the awards and the ceremony, visit [www.emsa.ca.gov/awards](http://www.emsa.ca.gov/awards).

The following are the 2017 California EMS Awards recipients.

## **EMT OF THE YEAR**

Laurent Repass, Santa Ana, Orange County EMS

Laurent possesses 25 years of exemplary service in EMS holding positions as, an EMT, EMT-P, educator, quality improvement coordinator, dispatcher, continuing education program director, and most recently EMS information systems chief for Orange County EMS. Through his foresight and research, Orange County Medical Emergency Data System (OC-MEDS) was developed. This electronic data system for prehospital care providers and base hospital personnel features the County's EMT online certification and accreditation, hospital dashboards, patient registries and the agency reporting system for monitoring ambulance companies, vehicles, and EMTs. Laurent was visionary in OC-MEDS inception. He demonstrates exceptional coordination, technical, and strategic oversight of the system. OC-MEDS enables efficient monitoring of medical directives utilized by over 7,000 EMS providers. He efficiently manages this system through an exceptional blend of expertise with his clinical/medical knowledge, organization and effective presentation skills, and information technology proficiencies. Respected locally and statewide for his in-depth knowledge and understanding of EMS and healthcare information technology, Laurent serves on the Health Information Exchange EMS Advisory Committee. Under his guidance, in February 2017, Orange County Emergency Medical Services became the first in the United States to fully launch the Search, Alert, File, Reconcile (SAFR) model of health information exchange.

## **EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Art Hsieh, Sebastopol, American Medical Response - Sonoma Life Support

Art is being recognized for his 35-year career in EMS, spanning coast to coast, influencing students, school faculty, EMTs, paramedics, EMS leaders, local EMS agencies, state and national EMS policies, procedures, and protocols. Since 2011, Art has been Santa Rosa Junior College's Paramedic Program Director. In this capacity, he has implemented live skill stations for his students using field paramedics as instructors to provide realistic feedback. With the relationships Art has built in Sonoma County, he was able to implement a BLS preceptor program with Sonoma County EMS allied agencies for those paramedic students without field EMT experience. In 2015, Art returned to taking shifts as a paramedic for AMR-Sonoma Life Support. His co-workers regard him as a pillar of knowledge and a reliable resource. As he works side by side with students, running calls, teaching as he goes, his credibility with them grows, and they are cited as saying "he practices what he preaches." Art is the editor in chief for EMS1, editorial advisor for The Praetorian Group. Also, he is on the Santa Rosa Jr College Academic Senate, McGraw-Hill Publishing and National Association of EMT's Advanced Medical Life Support Executive Counsel. He has served as Chair for the California Pre-Hospital Program Directors, Chair for California Rescue and Paramedic Association, President, Vice President, and Board of Directors of National Association of Emergency Medical Services Educators, and President of the San Francisco Paramedic Association.

## **ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Nancy Lapolla, South San Francisco, San Mateo County EMS Agency

For over ten years, Nancy Lapolla has worked tirelessly to improve medical and health disaster preparedness within California. Her leadership, commitment, and expertise in disaster medical services spans over 15 years, helping to form the local Medical/Health Operational Area Coordinator (MHOAC) program we know today. Nancy has demonstrated forward thinking and provided guidance that has measurably improved our EMS system allowing for a safer California. Nancy also has been critical to the development of the California Disaster Medical Operations Manual (CD-MOM), the Health and Medical Emergency Operations Manual (EOM), and the MHOAC Manual. The creation of the California Disaster Medical Operations Manual, is significant, because it was the first document to describe the movement of information and patients for a significant medical disaster in California and because it was the impetus for the Public Health and Medical Emergency Operations Manual. Also, a

former president of the EMS Administrators' Association (EMSAAC), Nancy worked closely with EMS leaders, elected officials, and other professional organizations to build collaborative partnerships in continuing efforts to improve EMS systems and patient care.

### **MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Angelo Salvucci, Oxnard, Ventura County EMS Agency

Since 1996, Dr. Angelo Salvucci has been serving the Ventura County EMS Agency with medical direction. Dr. Salvucci brings a lifetime of experience as an emergency physician to benefit the community. He currently works as an ED physician in a busy trauma center, maintaining his skills and expertise. As a leader in emergency medicine, he holds positions on many professional boards, legislative committees, academic associations, and EMS advisory councils. Due to his exemplary model, the Ventura County EMS stakeholders work harmoniously on projects that involve quality improvement, policy, education, and training, including those that demand staff time and financial outlay. Dr. Salvucci has been the anchor for this system. He has earned respect from the entire EMS community, from fire chiefs and ambulance directors to the nurses, paramedics, and EMTs on the front lines. As a leader in research that involves EMS, a specialty in which evidence-based practice is slow to evolve, Dr. Salvucci advanced the EMS system with his pioneering efforts. The protocols adopted from his work, allow quality patient care delivered on the front lines of EMS to result in better outcomes, fewer disabilities, and a higher number of individuals returning to their lives and families. Dr. Salvucci has a deep commitment to compassion and dignity for his patients. After being a physician for more than thirty-five years, overseeing, teaching, consulting, writing, and researching for EMS systems, his approach to patient care remains solidly kind.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**

Martin Serna, Torrance, Torrance Fire Department

The City of Torrance values Fire Chief Serna's progressive and proactive approach to understanding his city's needs utilizing EMS data and implementing strategies to mitigate the identified concerns. Chief Serna started his career in the City of Torrance in 1993 as an entry-level firefighter and worked through the ranks of the fire department as an engineer, captain, battalion chief and assistant chief. Before being appointed as the fire chief, he worked for seven years as the department's fire marshal. As the fire chief, Serna explored various avenues to improve emergency response procedures and community outreach. Chief Serna helped develop the first edition of the Torrance Fire Department Annual EMS Report, September 1, 2016. In the report, he stated, "The development of this annual report gave us the opportunity to reflect upon our department's overall strengths and weaknesses, as they pertain to our current EMS model. This review opened up potential opportunities and highlighted some gaps." The report showed that 48% of EMS encounters involving traumatic injuries were due to falls and that the elderly population sustains the majority of falls. In response, the city held a Senior Safety Fair and multiple workshops focused on fall prevention and hazard awareness for the elderly. Through Serna's efforts, the City of Torrance proclaimed September 21-29, 2017 as Fall Prevention Awareness Week. Under Serna's watch, Torrance Fire Department has participated in the County's Side-Walk-CPR Days teaching the general public on how to perform "Hands-Only CPR." Chief Serna's transparency and continued willingness to evaluate his department's EMS delivery using data and developing strategies to mitigate the gaps has benefited the citizens of the City of Torrance.

Frank Lang, Downieville, Downieville Fire Department and Sierra Family Medical Clinic

Frank Lang has been actively involved in emergency medical services in Sierra County for over 40 years. Sierra County has a population of 3,207 with one incorporated city with a population of 766. Frank has been instrumental in the creation of the non-profit organization, Sierra Frontier Medical Resources, Inc. addressing the need for 24/7 primary, urgent and emergency care in Sierra County. Frank is a nurse practitioner/MICN at Sierra Family Medical Clinic in the community of Oregon House in Sierra County, an EMR instructor, an EMT instructor, an advanced EMT instructor and an active

MICN with the Downieville Fire Department Ambulance Services. He has also served as the executive director of the Western Sierra Medical Clinic. Frank holds a doctorate in health law and is a retired commander from the U.S.P.H.S. Also; he has served as the Sierra-Plumas School District School Nurse. Frank's enduring leadership by example in improving emergency medical care is respected throughout the county. His work is never done. In addition to his active teaching and direct patient care through the Sierra Family Medical Clinic and the Downieville Fire Department Ambulance Service, he continues to look for new and innovative ways to serve emergent and chronic patients in this extremely rural and remote part of the state.

Daniel Nazzaretta, San Francisco, San Francisco Fire Department

Dan has played a key role in introducing EMS into the lives of hundreds of San Francisco High School Students. Dan has worked to promote hands-only CPR in the local high schools and serves as a liaison to high school teachers at three different Health Academies within the San Francisco Unified School. Dan's work as a subject matter expert for the teachers allows them to enhance their curriculum. Dan never says no and consistently steps up to work with teachers and students to promote EMS as a possible career path. Dan has been the driving force in organizing the EMS day for kids' fair at John O'Connell High School, which has been a remarkable success leading to more students from this underfunded inner-city school attending The San Francisco City College EMT program. Dan not only gives his time to the schools he recruits and coordinates other members of the San Francisco Fire Department to assist with these programs. On top of all the work Dan does with the schools; he also finds time to assist with the Special Olympics and the San Francisco Firefighters Toy Program. Dan has been a model ambassador for EMS in San Francisco and through his efforts has educated not only students but teachers who will continue to reach out to more and more students every day.

#### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

David Lipin, San Carlos, San Mateo County

For over thirty years of state, federal, and international service contributions in disaster medical services, David is being lauded for his expertise benefitted by hundreds of EMS professionals. David characterized by his steadfast leadership, conducted over a dozen California statewide disaster medical field exercises and many local exercises since 2000. He commanded the federal Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) 6 and formulated policy and direction for the California Medical Assistance Team (CAL-MAT) program including advocating for legislation in 2013 for employment protections for team members when in training. David was essential in developing EMSA's mobile asset program, which is utilized statewide. Among his numerous achievements, he is commended for his exceptional leadership in the 1991 Oakland Hills Firestorm, 1992 LA Riots, 1999 Northern California Floods, 2005 Hurricane Katrina, and 2007 San Diego Wildfires.

#### **LIFESAVING MEDAL AWARD**

Miguel Perez, Orange, Orange City Fire Department  
Erik Birkelbach, Orange, Orange City Fire Department

While off-duty, Captain Miguel Perez with off-duty Engineer Erik Birkelbach came upon a vehicle crash on an extremely busy intersecting freeway in Orange County, infamously named the Orange Crush. A motorcyclist laid down his bike, and a car ran him over. Inaccurate directions from bystanders delayed the responding fire engine further. The biker was pulseless and had agonal aspirations, Miguel and Erik took immediate action and alternated performing chest compressions to the severely injured motorcyclist until the fire engine arrived to transport him to a trauma center. After two days, the patient was awake and talking due in part to these immediate lifesaving measures.

Stephen Marshall, Encino, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department  
Scott Sand, Calabasas, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

LA County Reserve Sheriff Deputies Stephen Marshall and Scot Sand were off-duty shopping when a woman in the parking yelled, "Does anyone know CPR!?" Stephen, who was putting packages in his car, responded affirmatively. Stephen summoned Scott, "we have a man down," and both he and Scott rushed to the warehouse located next to the store parking lot to find a warehouse worker laying on his left side in the back of a semi-truck. After telling a bystander to call 911, Stephen described the condition of the man to the Los Angeles City Fire Department (LAFD) dispatcher. The worker had involuntarily relieved his bowels, had no pulse with agonal respirations and was otherwise unresponsive. Both off-duty deputies alternately performed CPR on for nine minutes while giving updated information and vitals to the fire dispatcher until LAFD paramedics arrived. After providing a summary of events to the paramedic. The paramedic checked the vitals and started CPR compressions again. As additional fire personnel arrived, they instituted a defibrillator shock, resumed CPR, and ROSC (return of spontaneous circulation) was achieved. They also performed further lifesaving actions. As the LAFD captain left, he thanked both Stephen and Scott and told them they most likely saved the man's life as they performed CPR within a minute of him losing consciousness. The patient reportedly survived and was in the hospital talking to doctors within a few days after the incident. Stephen and Scott Sand are both licensed emergency medical technicians, and Stephen Marshall is a POST/LASD certified First Aid CPR Instructor.

Philip Garcia, Manteca, San Joaquin County

A 6'4" and almost 300-pound man, collapsed on a softball field on a hot July day in Turlock. Without hesitation, Philip Garcia, who was playing against the man at the time, jumped in to save the day. He immediately initiated compressions while other players called 911, scrambled to set up canopies for shade, opened field gates and guided the ambulance inside the park. Eyewitnesses reported the man turned blue and appeared lifeless. Philip's swift actions resulted in the man breathing and ultimately saved his life. Ironically neither the man or Phillip were supposed to be there that day, and both came to play at the last minute. According to the patient's doctor, he is alive today because of Philip's quick and decisive reactions. The softball director hugged Phillip and thanked him. Philip was reported to have been calm and in control of the situation that it made both teams and spectators feel safer with him around. Philip told the director "unfortunately it's something I deal with on a day to day basis and it just a natural reaction to jump in and help." Philip stated he was glad to have come to the game because he was supposed to play somewhere else that day.

Martin Rosengreen, MD, Roseville, Sutter Roseville Medical Center

While off-duty Dr. Rosengreen led a group of six first responders (Buzzurro, Becker, Garza, Redmond, Cruz, Kerschner – recognized for Clinical Excellence) to assist a trapped motorist in a box trailer who collided with a semi-trailer. The patient's chest and lower body was crushed and entrapped under the semi-trailer. Fire crews began extrication on the box truck with a plan to bring in two heavy equipment tow trucks to lift the semi-trailer off the victim. Based on the mechanism of injury and the assessment of the patient, the patient was not predicted to survive the extrication. However, due to the Dr. Rosengreen's willingness and clinical expertise the patient survived an unusually extended extrication of 60-90 minutes with the coordinated use of medications and interventions with several first responders. The patient had Crush Syndrome, hypoxia, acidosis, hypothermia, and hemorrhagic shock.

The patient was loaded into the ambulance, AMR and CALSTAR 3 crews with Dr. Rosengreen went en route to Sutter Roseville Medical Center. During transport, the team continued CPR and ACLS protocols along with establishing a definitive airway and ten vascular access. The ED staff administered blood products, and a pulse was restored. The initial diagnosis upon arrival was an approximate 35-minute cardiac arrest due to hypovolemic shock, hyperkalemia, and multisystem trauma to the chest, abdomen, bilateral lower extremity, and left upper extremity. After multiple operations provided by the trauma center at Sutter Roseville Medical Center, the patient survived the

injuries and was neurologically intact at discharge two months later. Dr. Rosengreen's efforts and willingness to provide clinical recommendations and clinical support played a significant role at the scene and throughout transport, played a critical factor in the patient's survival.

Terence Welsh, Highland, Redlands Fire Department

Captain Terence Welsh, while vacationing off-duty in Niles, Michigan, returned to his hotel from a morning run with his daughter to find a children's birthday pool party in peril. The pool heater malfunctioned and emitted between 800 to 1200 parts per million of carbon monoxide, a colorless, odorless, deadly gas. Carbon monoxide is accurately referred to as "the silent killer." After reaching out to the police sergeant on scene, Terence immediately began to triage the children, all of whom were unresponsive. All of the children had been poisoned to the point of vomiting before losing consciousness, and one by one, he diligently worked on clearing their airways and turning them on their side. When the fire department arrived, he instructed them to place a fan in the doorway of the pool to help ventilate the room and to order five ambulances to come and transport all the victims. In total, six children were transported and hospitalized for carbon monoxide poisoning. One child could not be revived and died at the scene. Terence asked the police officers to go to the front desk and request the entire hotel be evacuated as the carbon monoxide could travel through the hotel's HVAC system and sicken more people. He was officially commended by the local police and fire chiefs. Captain Welsh instinctively and without any consideration for his health or safety, risked his own life by stepping into a deadly, mass casualty incident to render assistance to strangers that he had no commitment to aid. This event might have resulted in a far more catastrophic loss of life had it not been for his actions.

### **MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD**

Erik Franco, Agoura, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Erik is a volunteer reserve deputy, EMT, search and rescue member with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. He and a team of search and rescue volunteers conducted one of the largest active-shooter exercises on a university campus in the United States; hosted at Pepperdine University in Malibu. This exercise consisted of six scenarios (three active-shooter scenarios in dorm buildings, one bomb blast scenario in a dorm building, one casualty collection triage scenario in the parking lot, and one helicopter operations scenario at a designated heli-spot). Exercises at each scenario lasted ten minutes and proctors were given two minutes to debrief, three minutes to reset and repeat. Forty-two role players were strategically placed throughout the exercises to represent injured with gunshot resulting in mass arterial bleeding or sucking chest wounds. Response teams throughout the day consisted of about 200 law enforcement and 50 fire department personnel, from about 36 different agencies. This exercise used 110 overhead staff supporting the various logistics components of the operation. The feedback was outstanding, and several responder participants said that this was the best, most well-rounded exercise / training they have ever been to in their careers. Erik Franco has designed and conducted about 42 of these large-scale exercises for federal, state, and local agencies. He ensures a high repetition of medical skills, requiring that all participants have and use tactical medical skills to save as many lives as possible.

Brian Flint, Ventura, Ventura City Fire Department  
Brandyn Johnson, Ventura City Fire Department

Ventura City Medic Engine 6 (ME6) was responding emergently to a medical call. The driver of the engine was navigating through busy traffic using lights and sirens when he suddenly became unresponsive and collapsed behind the steering wheel leaving the multi-ton engine driverless as it entered a busy city intersection. The company captain, Captain Brian Flint, who was sitting in the passenger seat, witnessed the engineer's sudden incapacity. After a few moments of startled confusion realized his engine's driver had suddenly become unconscious. Captain Flint reacted immediately. As the engine began to slide, uncontrolled, into the intersection's traffic, he unbuckled his seat belt, reached across the cab, and deployed the emergency brake allowing the engine to

come safely to a stop. Firefighter/Paramedic Brandyn Johnson, who sitting in the rear of the engine's cab, exited the engine in uncontrolled traffic and ran to the driver's seat to assess the unconscious engineer. With Captain Flint's help, he pulled the engineer from the cab and laid him on the street. The two firefighters started CPR and attached their defibrillator, finding the engineer in ventricular fibrillation. They delivered the initial shock just as other emergency responders began arriving on scene to help. Working as a team, paramedics and EMTs continued CPR, gave a second shock and managed the airway. After the second defibrillator shock, the engineer had the spontaneous return of pulses. The engineer was transported to the hospital and made a full recovery. Because of ME6's crew's fast thinking, quick response, and practiced cardiac arrest care, not only was the engine safe and other drivers on the road protected.

Sarah Marsango, Buellton, American Medical Response (AMR)

Sarah, a paramedic for AMR and her partner, had just transported a patient to the triage area of the emergency room at Lompoc Valley Medical Center. The patient was acting unusual, restless and agitated. The patient had flipped-off the EMT off when he turned to walk out of the room, and when the triage nurse told the patient that was not appropriate, the patient proceeded to flip-off the triage nurse. The triage nurse took a step backward as she was feeling threatened by the patient, and then suddenly the patient lunged from a sitting position to standing. The patient grabbed the triage nurse's ponytail, yanked her head back and began to strangle the triage nurse with both hands. Sarah heard the commotion and ran back to the triage area. Sarah was able to grab the patient who tossed the triage nurse across the room like a rag doll into a table. Sarah was able to take the patient down to the floor and was able to restrain the patient until more staff arrived. The triage nurse was no match for this patient. The injuries sustained by the triage nurse were minimal due to Sarah's quick response and willingness to put herself in harm's way over another.

#### **MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRE RESPONSE**

Kelly Coleman, Sacramento, Alameda EMS Agency,

Under extraordinary circumstances, Regional Disaster Medical and Health Specialist – Region II Kelly Coleman provided outstanding support and coordination to the region and State with medical/health resources for the October Northern California Fire Response. His contributions included coordination of the State missions to evacuate, relocate, and repopulate the Yountville Veterans Home's skilled nursing patients and the Sonoma Developmental Center's residents. Also, Kelly provided outstanding situational awareness and reporting to local and state partners.

Bryan Cleaver, Santa Rosa, Coastal Valley EMS Agency

Under extraordinary circumstances, Bryan Cleaver Regional EMS Administrator provided excellent coordination of the Sonoma County fire response, including assisting with evacuations, medical/health resources in shelters, and the repopulation of medical facilities. He also supported the State mission to relocate and repopulate the Sonoma Developmental Center.

James Salvante, Santa Rosa, Coastal Valley EMS Agency

Under extraordinary circumstances, James Salvante EMS Coordinator provided significant support for the Sonoma County fire response, including assisting with evacuations, medical/health resources in shelters, and the repopulation of medical facilities. He also supported the State mission to relocate and repopulate the Sonoma Developmental Center.

Brian Henricksen, Napa, Napa County Health and Human Services

Under extraordinary circumstances, Brian Henricksen EMS Administrator provided excellent coordination of the Napa County fire response, including assisting with evacuations, medical/health

resources in shelters, and the repopulation of medical facilities. He also supported the State mission to relocate and repopulate the Yountville Veterans Home.

Shaun Vincent – Napa, Napa County Health and Human Services

Under extraordinary circumstances, Shaun Vincent EMS specialist provided significant support for the Napa County fire response, including assisting with evacuations, medical/health resources in shelters, and the repopulation of medical facilities. He also supported the State mission to relocate and repopulate the Yountville Veterans Home.

**CLINICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD** *(presented at recipients' home stations)*

Joshua Britton, Placerville, Redhawk Casino

For providing excellent patient care to a cardiac arrest victim on June 27, 2017.

Gabrial Cruz, Rocklin, AMR Ambulance

For extricating and transporting a severely injured vehicle crash victim trapped under a trailer of semi-truck on March 4, 2017.

David Kerschner, Rocklin, AMR Ambulance

For extricating and transporting a severely injured vehicle crash victim trapped under a trailer of semi-truck on March 4, 2017.

Jane Buzzurro, Rocklin, AMR Ambulance

For extricating and transporting a severely injured vehicle crash victim trapped under a trailer of semi-truck on March 4, 2017.

Monique Becker, Rocklin, AMR Ambulance

For extricating and transporting a severely injured vehicle crash victim trapped under a trailer of semi-truck on March 4, 2017.

Elizabeth Garza, Auburn, CALSTAR Air Medical Services

For extricating and transporting a severely injured vehicle crash victim trapped under a trailer of semi-truck on March 4, 2017.

Micah Redmond, Auburn, CALSTAR Air Medical Services

For extricating and transporting a severely injured vehicle crash victim trapped under a trailer of semi-truck on March 4, 2017.

Marc Eckstein, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County EMS Agency

For providing excellent patient care to a man trapped in a crushing auger as part of a Hospital Emergency Response Team on August 28, 2017.

Steve Hall, Alhambra, Alhambra Fire Department

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Mitch Bray, Alhambra, Alhambra Fire Department

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Erik Sarafian, Alhambra, Alhambra Fire Department

For providing excellent patient care to a man trapped in a crushing auger as part of a Hospital Emergency Response Team on August 28, 2017.

Elizabeth Benjamin, Los Angeles, LAC+USC Trauma Center



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Walter Bugg, Los Angeles, LAC+USC Trauma Center ED

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Stephanie Kern, Los Angeles, LAC+USC Trauma Center ED

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