



## Area paramedics celebrate EMS Week

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North Bay Professional Paramedics Association is gearing up to officially celebrate Emergency Medical Services Week throughout the District of Nipissing from May 18th to 25th, 2008.

Marc Picard, North Bay Central Ambulance Communications Centre (CACC) Manager says there are many people who come together to provide emergency medical services throughout the district of Nipissing. "This includes the CACC;

paramedics from Temagami, West Nipissing, Mattawa and the North Bay and District Ambulance services; the District of Nipissing Maintenance Garage and our administrative support staff," Picard says.

NBPPA is a proud supporter of many community events including the Lifeline Public Access Defibrillator Program; Act High School CPR Program; Andy the Ambulance Colouring Books; youth sports, including hockey, ringette, soccer, etc; and many charitable donations, including the Heart & Stroke Foundation.

Picard says the NBPPA has a safety message for the community this year —help us stay safe. "Pull to the right and stop when an emergency vehicle with lights and siren approaches and 'move over and pass with caution' when approaching an emergency vehicle on the side of the road," he explains.

For more information, visit our web site at [www.northbay.ambulance.ca](http://www.northbay.ambulance.ca) for further details.

### EMS WEEK - ACTIVITIES

#### Family & Friends CPR Presentation

Grade 5 students at Ecole Publique Heritage, ET Carmichael and EW Norman will be provided with Family & Friends CPR multi media kits by Paramedics. The students will be encouraged to bring the kits home and keep track of the people that participate in the DVD program with them. Participating student's names will be entered into a draw for an iPod Shuffle courtesy of the NBPPA. Presentations will take place at:

- Ecole Publique Heritage May 21 @ 13:45 hrs
- ET Carmichael May 22 @ 8:45 hrs

Similar presentations are taking place in classrooms in West Nipissing, Mattawa and Temagami throughout the week.

## Lifeline PAD Program

Presentation of 40th Public Access Defibrillator in Nipissing District at Jack Garland Airport on May 22nd at 10:00 am.

Mayor Vic Fedeli and MPP Monique Smith will be attending as well as representatives of Heart & Stroke Foundation.

## EMS display

Northgate Shopping Centre, Sears Court, Saturday May 24th from 9am-5pm.  
Meet local Paramedics, Communicators and view the life saving equipment used in the District of Nipissing.

## Proclamation - City of North Bay

Mayor Victor Fedeli and The City of North Bay have proclaimed May 18 to 25 as Emergency Medical Services Week in North Bay.

## Open House

Temagami Ambulance Service will be hosting an Open House on May 21st from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Ambulance Base located at 7 Stevens Road, Temagami.

## Risk Watch

NBPPA members will be participating in a risk watch event on May 21st to help promote bicycle safety and the use of helmets.

## Long Service Awards

NBPPA members will be recognized by the North Bay General Hospital on May 21st, 2008 as a part of their Long Service Awards celebration. Members will be presented with certificates for their dedicated service ranging from 5 years to 32 years of Service.

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