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### **Dr. Peter Glaeser Receives the 2015 Rocco V. Morando Lifetime Achievement Award**

Clinton, Miss. – Peter Glaeser, M.D. was presented with the 2015 Rocco V. Morando Lifetime Achievement Award, recognizing a lifetime of commitment and contributions to Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The award is NAEMT's most prestigious, and generously sponsored by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT).

Dr. Glaeser has spent the majority of his professional career as a pediatric emergency physician with a special focus on EMS. After receiving his medical training, he continued as academic faculty in the Department of Pediatrics at the Medical College of Wisconsin, and practiced Pediatric Emergency Medicine at the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin for 12 years. He then joined the University of Alabama-Birmingham School of Medicine in 1996. He is currently professor of Pediatrics, division director and C. Phillip McWane Endowed Chair in Pediatric Emergency Medicine, and vice-chair of Clinical Services in the Department of Pediatrics.

Board certified in both Pediatrics and Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Dr. Glaeser's primary academic interest has been the out-of-hospital care of ill and injured children. In addition to published manuscripts, he has served on and chaired numerous national EMS committees and has contributed to the nationally standardized pediatric curricula used to educate EMS practitioners.

"The NREMT is elated that NAEMT has recognized Dr. Pete Glaeser as the 2015 recipient of the Rocco V. Morando Lifetime Achievement Award," said Severo "Tré" Rodriguez, executive director of NREMT. "Dr. Glaeser's contributions are enormous, spanning pediatrics, resuscitation, intraosseous access, education, accreditation and certification. As a nation, we are better as result of his tireless commitment to EMS!"

Dr. Glaeser has held many leadership positions at the University of Alabama-Birmingham, including president of the Medical Staff of the Children's Health System; chair of the Medical Executive Committee; chair of the Committee on Accreditation Credentialing; member of the Accreditation Quality Improvement Council; and the School of Medicine's Risk Management Liability Trust Fund Committee.

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As vice-chair of Clinical Services, Dr. Glaeser leads strategic planning for the Department of Pediatrics. As Division Director of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, he successfully lobbied for and negotiated a contract with the Committee on Accreditation that provided the financial support to build a division of 20 faculty and 9 fellows. In 2010 he became the first recipient of the C. Phillip McWane Endowed Chair in Pediatric Emergency Medicine.

Named after the inaugural recipient and founding NAEMT member, Rocco V. Morando, the Lifetime Achievement Award was first presented 31 years ago in Mississippi. This year's presentation in Las Vegas, Nev., was made on Sept. 16 during NAEMT's General Membership Meeting. This signature event held during the NAEMT Annual Meeting celebrates accomplishments and recognizes the contributions of members toward the success of the association and the betterment of the EMS profession.

"Dr. Glaeser's dedication to improving the special and emergency care needs of pediatric patients is greatly appreciated," said NAEMT President Conrad "Chuck" Kearns. "His commitment is recognized and it is our honor to announce Dr. Glaeser as the recipient of the 2015 Rocco V. Morando Lifetime Achievement Award."

#### **About NAEMT**

Formed in 1975 and more than 50,000 members strong, the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) is the only national association representing the professional interests of all emergency and mobile healthcare practitioners, including emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians, emergency medical responders, paramedics, advanced practice paramedics, critical care paramedics, flight paramedics, community paramedics, and mobile integrated healthcare practitioners. NAEMT members work in all sectors of EMS, including government agencies, fire departments, hospital-based ambulance services, private companies, industrial and special operations settings, and in the military.

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