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Sen. Crapo Receives Field EMS Legislator of the Year Award

Clinton, Miss. – NAEMT announced Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) as this year’s recipient of the Field EMS Legislator of the Year Award, presented in conjunction with [EMS On The Hill Day](#) on April 29. This prestigious award recognizes a member of Congress who demonstrates an outstanding commitment and support of high-quality field emergency care and the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) professionals who serve our nation’s patients.

“It is critical we find meaningful ways to give EMS providers the necessary tools and adequate resources to ensure Americans continue to have access to high-quality, lifesaving emergency medical services,” said Sen. Crapo. “The importance of this care rendered daily to patients in need throughout the country by EMS professionals cannot be understated.”

A native of Idaho, Sen. Crapo has devoted most of his life to representing and serving his state and its people. He was a State Senator for eight years, spent six years in the U.S. House, and then began his term in the U.S. Senate in 1999. He serves on several committees and subcommittees, including banking, finance, the environment, budget and Indian affairs. He leads or serves on nearly 30 caucuses, advocating on a variety of issues. Prior to serving in Congress, Sen. Crapo was a partner in a law firm. He is a member of the Idaho and California Bar Associations, and Bar of the U.S. Supreme Court. He received his juris doctor cum laude from Harvard Law School in 1977, and graduated summa cum laude from Brigham Young University in 1973.

“Sen. Crapo has the respect and gratitude of emergency and mobile healthcare practitioners around the country,” said NAEMT President Conrad “Chuck” Kearns. “His support of Field EMS and recognition of the important role of EMS in our nation’s healthcare system are important steps toward ensuring the provision of high-quality patient care in every community.”

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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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