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Paramedics Host Public Display in Manitoba Legislature

2005/05/17 – In recognition of the vital service provided by Emergency Medical Services personnel throughout the Province, Health Minister Tim Sale has proclaimed May 15–21, 2005 to be Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Awareness Week in Manitoba. In conjunction with EMS Awareness Week and to help Manitobans understand the important role that paramedics serve within our healthcare system, the Paramedic Association of Manitoba will host a public display inside the main foyer of the Manitoba Legislature on **May 18th from 10:00 a.m. until 2 p.m.**

Paramedics from across Manitoba will be available at the Manitoba Legislature to help raise public awareness about important health and safety issues, offer information regarding the role of paramedics, demonstrate the latest in pre-hospital medical equipment, and showcase the newest simulation manikins utilized in EMS training.

“Emergency medical services are vital to our health care system, and are often the first point of contact within the system for many Manitobans”, said Tim Sale, Minister of Health. “We are happy to support this week’s events and hope Manitobans will come to the legislature and visit the displays.”

“The front-line members of our emergency medical services teams devote their lives to providing life-saving care to those in need”, says Eric Glass, Chairman of the Paramedic Association of Manitoba. “Manitobans and visitors to our province benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals. This is an excellent opportunity for everyone to see first hand what paramedics do.

The Paramedic Association of Manitoba represents the professional interests of Emergency Medical Services practitioners to ensure the well-being and appropriate medical treatment of patients.

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