

FOR RELEASE August 5, 2016

Long-serving paramedic receives EMS Exemplary Service Medal

WHITEHORSE—Today Doug Philips, Commissioner of the Yukon, presented the Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal to Jon Trefry, a primary care paramedic and supervisor with Yukon Emergency Medical Services.

"The Governor General's Exemplary Service awards are a tangible expression of Canada's gratitude for long and commendable service," Philips said. "The medal recognizes Jon Trefry's dedication to preserving Canada's public safety."

"It is impossible to think of Yukon Emergency Medical Services without thinking of Jon's contributions," Premier Darrell Pasloski said. "His commitment to public safety extends from supporting injury prevention programs to providing excellent pre-hospital care to patients."

Trefry has served with Yukon Emergency Medical Services for 30 years, as an emergency medical technician, a flight emergency medical technician, a primary care paramedic and a supervisor. He is involved with Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the Prevent And Reduce Trauma in Youth program.

The Emergency Medical Services award recognizes the good conduct, industry and efficiency of professionals who have provided pre-hospital emergency medical services to the public and who have performed their duties in an exemplary manner.

-30-

Contact:

Michael Edwards Cabinet Communications 867-633-7910 michael.edwards@gov.yk.ca

Amanda Couch Communications, Community Services 867-332-4188 amanda.couch@gov.yk.ca

News Release #16-282



Stay up to date with the latest Yukon government news by subscribing to our RSS feed here: http://www.gov.yk.ca/news/rss.html. Or follow us on Twitter @yukongov.