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## **Yukon participates in national EMS week**

WHITEHORSE—Yukon's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will participate in Canada's Emergency Medical Services week May 26 to June 1. This year's theme is EMS—Healthcare in Motion.

"Our dedicated and committed Emergency Medical Services professionals provide skilled, compassionate care for patients when they need it most," Community Services minister Elaine Taylor said. "Whether responding to an individual medical crisis or to a disaster such as a fire or flood, they play a front-line role in our safety."

According to the Paramedic Chiefs of Canada, pre-hospital care providers are Canada's third largest health care provider group. They serve on the front lines of health care in communities across the country to provide essential care.

"EMS personnel provide a reliable and constant presence not only in Canada's urban centres but remote rural areas as well," Taylor added. "Every day, our frontline EMS team and support staff make a difference to someone in their community."

Activities this year include the introduction of a Yukon EMS client feedback system to help ensure continuation of the territory's excellent emergency medical care and increased public education through the use of social media.

For more information on EMS week, visit [www.community.gov.yk.ca](http://www.community.gov.yk.ca).

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