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HEALTH TO OBSERVE EMS WEEK

Health Commissioner Darice Plaskett announced today that the department will observe Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week, May 18-24, 2014, with a host of scheduled activities including an, emergency vehicles motorcade, EMS skill competition, Public school visits, Emergency Trailer Expo, and Ambulance Boat Demonstration.

EMS Week honors the 750,000 EMS providers nationwide who deliver lifesaving emergency care. Locally, there are over 100 EMS field providers, a large percent of whom are volunteers. This year's theme is entitled "EMS: Dedicated for Life", and residents are encouraged to show their appreciation for the contributions of these men and women to their community by participating in the locally scheduled activities.

The Commissioner congratulates the EMS division and ensures that the department will help promote the celebration of this week with all efforts. Here are the sequences of events:

- **Sunday, May 18, 2014 Opening Exercises**
- **Monday, May 19, 2014 EMS Open House 2nd floor lobby, Charles Harwood Memorial Complex**
- **Tuesday, May 20, 2014 Open House – Ambulance Boat "Star of Life" Multi Agency Drill - Sunny Isles**
- **Wednesday, May 21, 2014 Observation of EMS for Children Day**
- **Thursday, May 22, 2014 EMS Team Skill Check Off -Emergency Vehicles Motorcade**

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