



Naugatuck EMS Welcomes New Chief

Naugatuck Ambulance, Inc. welcomed a new leader to the organization on October 11.

Kyle Kelley was hired to run the service by a unanimous vote of the non-profit's board of directors in August, after longtime service President Larry Santoro as well as board members stepped down. Naugatuck's Mayor Pete Hess reached out to Waterbury Hospital for assistance in filling the management gap until Kelley could arrive. Waterbury Hospital CEO lent hospital business development director Jeremy Rodorigo to Naugatuck in the interim. Rodorigo served as Interim CEO for eight weeks.

Kelley comes from Seymour Ambulance Association where he served as chief for the past six years. However, he is no stranger to the borough. He started his paid EMS career there in the early 2000's. He also grew up in Naugatuck and attended local schools.

"I am humbled and excited at the opportunity to lead this great EMS organization", said Kelley.



Stroke Lead Named



Kathryn Meyers has been named Stroke Program Coordinator for Waterbury Hospital. Meyers, an experienced ED nurse takes over from Dayna Failla who recently assumed the Trauma Coordinator position.

Contact Information:

Trauma Coordinator, Dayna Failla—203.573.7355

Stroke Coordinator, Kathryn Meyers—203.573.7349

ED Medical Director, Dr. Carlos Holden—203.573.6215

Expo Returns to Foxwoods in October

The Northeast's largest Fire and EMS conference and exposition will be held at Foxwoods Resort Casino on October 27, 28, 29 and 30th. EMS Pro brings renowned speakers from across the country to Connecticut for four days of world class education.

CONFERENCE HOURS

Wednesday – October 27, 2021 | 09:00 – 17:00

Thursday – October 28, 2021 | 08:00 – 16:30

Friday – October 29, 2021 | 08:30 – 17:00

Saturday – October 30, 2021 | 08:00 – 17:15

EXHIBIT HALL HOURS

Thursday – October 28, 2021 | 16:00 – 18:00

Friday – October 29, 2021 | 09:00 – 14:00

Friday – October 29, 2021 | 15:00 – 18:30

Saturday – October 30, 2021 | 08:00 – 15:30

Visit [EMSPRO.org](https://www.emspro.org) for more information and special hotel pricing.



Lundbye Tapped as Health System CEO



Waterbury HEALTH is pleased to announce that Dr. Justin Lundbye has been named President and CEO of the Waterbury HEALTH network. Dr. Lundbye is a seasoned healthcare leader having served in various leadership roles in his career, including Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of Water-

bury HEALTH since December 2016.

The transition comes as Lester Schindel retires on Nov. 2. Schindel and Lundbye will be working together in the coming weeks to ensure a smooth transition.

As Lundbye assumes his new role, Dr. David Pizzuto will serve as interim Chief Medical Officer of Waterbury HEALTH, in addition to his current role as CMO of Prospect Medical Foundation and Alliance Medical Group. Pizzuto has been a member of the Waterbury Hospital Medical Staff for decades, serving in leadership roles including Hospital CMO and Chief of Medical Staff.

In his new role, Lundbye will continue the growth initiatives already in the works, many of which he is personally involved with, while ensuring the organization's focus on quality improvement and delivery of quality care to our patients.

Lundbye has distinguished himself during his time in Waterbury through his hard work, most recently during the COVID-19 pandemic. Justin was instrumental in setting policies to protect patients, employees, and our community, guiding the hospital through tremendous change. He led a team that established a COVID-19 drive-through sampling station in record time, making Waterbury Hospital the second Department of Public Health approved outpatient testing site in the state. He also led community partnership efforts that resulted in the establishment of two mass vaccination sites and dozens of pop-up clinics, which delivered more than 65,000 vaccines to the community. Justin also served as a medical spokesman for a variety of television and newspaper media outlets, educating the public on issues related to COVID-19 and the vaccines.

He is the recipient of the 2020 Waterbury Regional Chamber of Commerce Healthcare Council **Leadership Award** for his contributions to Waterbury HEALTH and the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Lundbye is board-certified in Cardiovascular Medicine and is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and The American Society of Nuclear Cardiology. He also holds a Master in Business Administration Degree from University of Massachusetts. He is a professor of medicine at Netter School of Medicine at Quinnipiac University and holds a faculty appointment in the Department of Medicine at University of Connecticut.

Virtual CME—Case Review

Patient Case Review - November 17 | 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Zoom Meeting | Use the link and/or phone number below <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85668099652> Meeting ID: 856 6809 9652 +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

In this session, Dr. Alyssa Sexton, ECHN EMS Medical Director, will be joined by Dr. Solitis from Connecticut Children's Medical Center to discuss pediatric illness.

CME credit available for all EMS levels.

50 Years of Service to LVA



Friends, family and colleagues of John Pudlinski gathered recently to celebrate his 50 years of dedicated service to Litchfield Volunteer Ambulance. Pudlinski is currently chief of LVA.

Beacon Hose Secures Grant for 12 Leads



EMT's at Beacon Hose Company #1 will soon be obtaining and transmitting ECG data on their two BLS ambulances thanks to recently obtained federal grant.

Fire Chief Brian DeGeorge and Beacon Falls Board of Finance confirmed the purchase at a recent town meeting. Beacon Hose will purchase two LifePack 15 Monitor/AED's.

Recently, Woodbury Ambulance Association added ECG monitors to their cadre of equipment as well.

Accelerated EMT Course

The Oxford Ambulance Association's Training Center will offer an accelerated EMT course beginning in December.



Classes will run Monday through Friday from 8:00AM—4:00PM.

The first class will begin on December 20, 2021 and will run until January 14, 2022.

To register, contact 203.881.5216