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CFD Personnel Recognized for EMS Excellence

CONCORD, NH (June 21, 2021) – Concord Fire Department personnel were recognized today by Concord Hospital for two recent significant medical events.

Concord Hospital EMS Coordinator Craig Clough presented Firefighters David Currier, Phil Tirrell, Zach Gagnon, and Firefighter Paramedic Justin Kantar with stork pins and code save pins. For the second time in less than a month, CFD personnel were recognized for their performance at a field delivery of a baby girl. The healthy new arrival was 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and 20.8 inches. This was 25-year veteran Firefighter Phil Tirrell's first field delivery. Tirrell said, "when we deal with so much tragedy, it is uplifting to be involved with these types of incidents."

The Heights Fire Station crew also responded to assist Tri-Town EMS with a patient that went into cardiac arrest while being transported to Concord Hospital. Personnel from both agencies worked to perform advanced life support procedures, including rapid sequence intubation and pharmacological interventions, to successfully revive the patient. The skilled and cohesive teamwork led to what is known as a "door to balloon time" of 30 minutes. Door to balloon time is the amount of time from when the patient arrived at Concord Hospital to the time the patient was receiving cardiac catheterization. The patient was able to be discharged from the hospital 4 days later.

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