Chief Mike McEvoy
Saratoga County (New York) EMS

Profile

Mike McEvoy is the Chief of EMS for Saratoga County, New York, the Chief Medical Officer for the West Crescent Fire Department and a nurse clinician in the cardiac surgical ICU at Albany Medical Center where he also teaches critical care medicine. He was appointed to a vacancy on the EMS Section Executive Committee in 2013, elected secretary of the section in 2014, elected chair of the Section in 2016 and again in 2019. He has been a member of IAFC since 2007.

Platform

My name is Mike McEvoy, incumbent candidate for Chair of the IAFC EMS Section. I am the Chief of EMS for Saratoga County, New York and the Chief Medical Officer for the West Crescent Fire Department. Joining the IAFC EMS Section Executive Committee in 2013, I was elected secretary in 2014, became vice chair in 2015 and was first elected chair in 2016, then again in 2019. As a paramedic, nurse, firefighter, author and speaker, I have had the privilege of leading several fire and EMS organizations over the course of my 44-year career.

You may know me as an author; perhaps as a conference or workshop speaker. I have dedicated my career to advancing the professionalism of EMS and the fire service. In my past four years as EMS Section chair, I have worked to foster inclusiveness, collaboration and teamwork. I believe the EMS section should be the leading fire-based EMS voice with the legislators, government, and the public. The members of the IAFC EMS Section have much to be proud of and many opportunities in our future.

It’s been my honor and privilege to work for the IAFC EMS Section since 2007. During my term as chair, we have expanded our use of the IAFC KnowledgeNet platform, greatly increased involvement of EMS Section members, reinvigorated our annual Fire Rescue Med (FRM) conference, forged new alliances with our brother and sister fire, EMS and law enforcement organizations, stratifying CMS cost reporting, launching ET3, and informing pandemic response leaders. We’ve played key roles in developing position papers opposing degree requirements for entry level medics, carrying firearms on duty and using mobile technology to increase cardiac arrest survival. In 2009, the EMS Section presented me with a meritorious service award, an honor I treasure above all others. I would ask for your vote so that I can continue to work tirelessly as Section Chair on behalf of you, fire-based EMS and the IAFC as we together face the challenges and opportunities of the future.