



### **Ben Applebome**

This year I would like to nominate Ben Applebome as the nominee representing B-shift for the Vic Pearson Award. Ben is an EMT-Intermediate who has been with our organization for approximately one year. Although this has been a short time, Ben has made an impact, not only on my shift, but organization wide. As you know, Ben is always jovial and always smiling. He has the most amazing positive attitude I've ever witnessed. This isn't just around me, I've heard numerous comments from his peers on our shift, relief workers and EMS administration. Everyone has the same comment and that is Ben is always smiling. I've witnessed him in stressful situations with critical patients and he handles himself with outstanding composure. I've seen him calm a patient that was so distraught and get her to communicate as she was in a simple conversation with friends. This is one of Ben's traits and we are very fortunate to have him as one of our employees.

Ben also is an outstanding EMT-Intermediate. He was hired as an EMT-Basic and before the completion of his probationary period, he finished his EMT-Intermediate training and applied for an opening in this position and was given that position. Ben never slowed down throughout his training even with the increase in responsibilities. Ben completed his probationary process and was released to function as an EMT-Intermediate in our organization. As his supervisor, he really makes my job very easy. He comes to work early and again he is a joy to be around. When Ben is around, all are smiling and laughing. I believe Ben's best trait is his bedside manner with patients and his skill level. Ben is so proficient in his patient care and I've received numerous comments from his peers. Ben shows a lot of compassion and competence in all he does and this reminds me of Vic in a lot of ways.

Ben Applebome would be an outstanding representative if he is awarded the Vic Pearson Award. I truly believe he is the best candidate on my shift and I'm certain anyone who has been around him will agree as well. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to nominate someone from my shift for this inspirational award.

