

Candidate Background Information

Shannon Watson began her EMS Career in North Carolina where she attained her Paramedic License and Associates in Emergency Medical Science. She came to Christian Hospital EMS fourteen years ago and diligently worked her way to Assistant Chief for the EMS department. Shannon currently has her instructor license in a variety of certifications and teaches nationally at EMS conferences. She is on the East Central Region EMS Committee for St. Louis and became a contributing Author in 2012 by writing the resuscitation chapter in the pediatric education for prehospital provider's book. Shannon is also a committee member and the Chair for Emergency Pediatric Care (EPC) for NAEMT. Over her tenure in EMS, Shannon assisted in growing and developing the Christian Hospital EMS Academy and then developing and implementing a mobile integrated health program for Christian Hospital. Shannon has continued her education as a critical care paramedic, community paramedic, and she completed her Bachelor's in Business and Masters in Healthcare Administration. She is married to a Firefighter / Paramedic, and they have three children. Shannon enjoys spending her free time with friends and family engaging in outdoor activities.

Recognition

Shannon Watson was recognized by NAEMT and received the Presidential Leadership Award in 2019 at the EMS expo.



Involvement in NAEMT activities

EPC committee member (2015-current) and Chair since 2017, assisted with development of mobile integrated health course, PEPL instructor and affiliate faculty, representation for NAEMT with the AAP SOEM EMS subcommittee, held instructor certifications in AMLS, PHTLS, EPC, and EMS safety throughout tenure

EMS organization affiliations

Missouri EMS Expo planning committee, East Central Region EMS committee, ACLS instructor
[Committee Members – Missouri East Central Regional EMS Committee \(ecrems.org\)](http://ecrems.org)

Employment

Assistant Chief, Christian Hospital EMS (5 years). Letter of support verifying employment and support for the Director position. Details on Christian Hospital EMS: 46,000 calls per year with 140 employees. 210 square mileage of coverage. Urban EMS provider in St. Louis, MO. 911 provider for North St. Louis County and transfer service for St. Louis County. ALS and BLS services available for ambulances.