Upcoming Training & Meetings:

4/4/2016	OTEP #1	7pm	Conway Fire Station
4/11/2016	OTEP #1	1:30pm	Burlington FD
4/12/2016	OTEP #1	2:45pm	Burlington FD
4/13/2016	OTEP #1	2:45pm	Burlington FD

Training & Quality Assurance

I have now been with the Skagit County EMS Agency for eight months. I learn something new every day. I had hoped to have more systems and processes in place by this time. The reality is as provider and system needs change project priorities can change. Current items on the work list become "back burner" items.

Simple things such as verifying provider rosters are a very large time consuming task. It seems like it would be fairly straight forward, but the addition and deletion of affiliated people is ongoing. We must have up to date current records.

Many agencies have provided cardiac arrest data from AEDs. I have not provided the follow up that every provider should be getting. Please be assured that these are the type of situations that I am addressing and developing methods for timely provider feedback.

I am working hard to provide the services our stakeholders deserve. I am sure you will see things come together in the near future. I am looking forward to checking them off my list and moving on to the next project. I believe it is important to do it right the first time and constantly update.

Please always feel free to contact me if you have any questions, or something slips through the cracks. I can be reached at (360) 416-1835 or kchao@co.skagit.wa.us. I appreciate everyone's support as each of you has your own busy schedules.

Kevin

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Upcoming Classes

The Skagit County EMS Agency is offering a Pediatric Education for **Prehospital Professionals (PEPP) Class on Monday April 18th** in the EMS Agency Training Room. This is a hybrid class combining PEPP and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS). The class requires online course work prior to attending class. There is no charge for the class thanks to the North Region EMS and Trauma Council. To register for this class please contact Michelle Brisson at (360) 416-1831 or mlbrisson@co.skagit.wa.us. For questions about course curriculum or specific class questions contact Kevin Chao at (360) 416-1835 or kchao@co.skagit.wa.us.

Skagit Valley Hospital is offering an **EZ-IO in-service on Wednesday April 27th** at 11:00 A.M. If you are interested in attending this in-service please contact Trauma Coordinator Tyler Dalton at tdalton@skagitvalleyhospital.org.

The Skagit County EMS Agency is offering a **Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) Class on May 13th, 14th, and 15th**. This class is full with a waiting list. Please watch for future offerings of this class and sign up early when you see the posting.

Advanced Medical Life Support Classes will be offered the beginning of June. Watch for flyers with more details on this class.

We are fortunate to have instructors who are constantly looking for quality education and training to be offered in Skagit County. Special thanks to Joel Pratt and Jeff Brown for their constant commitment to education and training in our EMS System. These individuals along with many others have outside full time employment yet they unselfishly give their time with the focus of providing quality education.

We have a lot of experience in the Skagit County EMS System. If anyone has recommendations for classes please contact the Training and Quality Assurance Manager Kevin Chao. Let's not forget any training that we can provide for our BLS providers.

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New SEI at Skagit EMS!

Congratulations to Bev Riesland for recently completing the Senior EMS Instructor evaluation process. This is a significant accomplishment that requires a lot of time and work. Many people do not go through the process because of the demands to successfully complete. Bev accomplished this while maintaining all of her other responsibilities. When you see Bev please make it a point to congratulate her.

Ron Richeson Life Saver Awards

If you have any suggestions for recipients of the Ron Richeson Life Saving Awards, please send pertinent information to Michelle Brisson mlbrisson@co.skagit.wa.us.

North Region EMS & Trauma Care Council

There are currently three open positions on the North Region EMS & Trauma Care Council for Skagit County. We would very much like to fill these positions by April 7th, the next Council meeting. The time commitment is very small, as the Council currently only meets four times a year, on the first Thursday of the first month of each quarter. Attached are both the North Region Council Member Introduction with background information on the Council for those considering joining, and the application form. For more information feel free to contact either Martina Requier, Executive Director North Region EMS & TCC at martina@northregionems.com, or Mark Raaka, Skagit County EMS Director at markr@co.skagit.wa.us.

Positions Available:

- At- Large Rep
- Consumer Rep
- Prehospital Rep

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Registration for the 34th Annual Conference for Emergency Medicine has been extended to April 3rd.

Registrations received after April 3rd will be charged a $25 late registration fee.

Our conference is a three-day event, April 14-16, held at the Silver Reef Hotel and Convention Center in Ferndale, WA. Our primary goal is to share engaging expertise through presentations, panel discussions, and workshops that are focused, and cover a wide range of subjects. Our conference offers an opportunity for first responders in EMS and law enforcement to interact and learn from each other, promoting the best possible outcomes for co-workers and other members of our community during emergencies. For example, updated training on the integrated response to Active Shooter scenarios is scheduled for Saturday as an all-day session. Also on Saturday, the new director of the Washington Poison Center will address emerging toxicology emergencies, among several other fascinating sessions to choose from. Please note that there are several registration options, encouraging participants to select the courses/sessions that serve their needs and interests.

The Whatcom Conference is offering great preconference workshops on Thursday as well including Advanced Burn Life Support training and Advanced 12 Lead ECG.

Information about the WCEMSTCC and online registration are also available on our website: http://www.whatcomcountyems.com/

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REGIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER INTRODUCTION

WELCOME! If you are considering accepting a position on the North Region Emergency Medical Services & Trauma Care Council (NREMS), this letter serves as a high level overview of what we do.

MEETING DATES

Bi-Monthly Meetings

The Regional Council meets the 1st Thursday of the last month of the quarter in Mount Vernon, Washington. Meetings are typically held at the Skagit 911 Center. Regional Council meetings typically last no more than two (2) hours.

Annual Meeting

NREMS & TCC operates on a fiscal year of July 1 through June 30 of each year. The Annual Meeting is usually the last month of the fiscal year.

BACKGROUND

NREMS & TCC was incorporated on June 12, 1979 as an IRS §501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation. The corporation's principal function was to advance and facilitate the delivery of emergency medical services in the counties we represent (Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish, Island, and San Juan) by coordinating, advising and facilitating efforts by the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers, and any other functions approved by the Board of Directors consistent with this goal.

In 1990, the Washington State Legislature expanded RCW 70.168 and further defined NREMS responsibilities as:

(1) Trauma is a severe health problem in the state of Washington and a major cause of death;

(2) Presently, trauma care is very limited in many parts of the state, and health care in rural areas is in transition with the danger that some communities will be without emergency medical care;

(3) It is in the best interest of the citizens of Washington state to establish an efficient and well-coordinated statewide emergency medical services and trauma care system to reduce costs and incidence of inappropriate and inadequate trauma care and emergency medical service and minimize the human suffering and costs associated with preventable mortality and morbidity;

(4) The goals and objectives of an emergency medical services and trauma care system are to: (a) Pursue trauma prevention activities to decrease the incidence of trauma; (b) provide optimal care for the trauma victim; (c) prevent unnecessary death and disability from trauma and emergency illness; and

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(d) contain costs of trauma care and trauma system implementation; and

(5) In other parts of the United States where trauma care systems have failed and trauma care centers have closed, there is a direct relationship between such failures and closures and a lack of commitment to fair and equitable reimbursement for trauma care participating providers and system overhead costs.

WAC 246-976-960 provides additional details on the roles and responsibilities as follows:

(1) In addition to meeting the requirements of chapter 70.168 RCW and elsewhere in this chapter, regional EMS/TC councils must:

(a) Identify and analyze system trends to evaluate the EMS/TC system and its component subsystems, using trauma registry data provided by the department;

(b) Develop and submit to the department regional EMS/TC plans to:

(i) Identify the need for and recommend distribution and level of care (basic, intermediate or advanced life support) for verified aid and ambulance services for each response area. The recommendations will be based on criteria established by the department relating to agency response times, geography, topography, and population density;

(ii) Identify EMS/TC services and resources currently available within the region;

(iii) Describe how the roles and responsibilities of the MPD are coordinated with those of the regional EMS/TC council and the regional plan;

(iv) Describe and recommend improvements in medical control communications and EMS/TC dispatch, with at least the elements of the state communication plan described in RCW 70.168.060 (1)(h);

(v) Include a schedule for implementation.

(2) In developing or modifying its plan, the regional council must seek and consider the recommendations of:

(a) Local EMS/TC councils;

(b) EMS/TC systems established by ordinance, resolution, interlocal agreement or contract by counties, cities, or other governmental bodies.

(3) In developing or modifying its plan, the regional council must use regional and state analyses provided by the department based on trauma registry data and other appropriate sources;

(4) Approved regional plans may include standards, including response times for verified services, which exceed the requirements of this chapter.

(5) An EMS/TC provider who disagrees with the regional plan may bring its concerns to the steering committee before the department approves the plan.

(6) The regional council must adopt regional patient care procedures as part of the regional plans. In addition to meeting the requirements of RCW 18.73.030(14) and 70.168.015(23):

(a) For all emergency patients, regional patient care procedures must identify:

(i) Guidelines for rendezvous with agencies offering higher levels of service if appropriate and available, in

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accordance with the regional plan.

(ii) The type of facility to receive the patient, as described in regional patient destination and disposition guidelines.

(iii) Procedures to handle types and volumes of trauma that may exceed regional capabilities, taking into consideration resources available in other regions and adjacent states.

(b) For major trauma patients, regional patient care procedures must identify procedures to activate the trauma system.

(7) In areas where no local EMS/TC council exists, the regional EMS/TC council shall:

(a) Make recommendations to the department regarding appointing members to the regional EMS/TC council;

(b) Review applications for initial training classes and OTEP programs, and make recommendations to the department.

(8) Matching grants made under the provisions of chapter 70.168 RCW may include funding to:

(a) Develop, implement, and evaluate prevention programs; or

(b) Accomplish other purposes as approved by the department.

FUNDING

The Washington State Department of Health (WA DOH) provides funding from the EMS & Trauma Fund for each Regional Council. This funding provides training and education as well as maintains a cohesive EMS & TCC system in each county by bringing together local council. WA DOH also provides NREMS & TCC with funding to support emergency preparedness. Together we work with all entities of the healthcare spectrum to improve EMS & Trauma response from day to day functions to mass causality incidents.

ORGANIZATION

NREMS & TCC consists of three positions when fully staffed:

Executive Director
ASPR Coordinator
Office Assistant

The Executive Director reports to the Executive Board Chair. The Executive Board consists of:

Chair	Secretary	Immediate Past Chair
1st Vice Chair	Treasurer	
2nd Vice Chair	Committee Chairs (5)	

The Executive Board reports to the Regional Council. The Executive Board Chair is also the Regional Council Chair. The Regional Council consists of the following 30 positions appointed by county:

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Pre-Hospital Committee
- Island County Representative
- San Juan County Representative
- Skagit County Representative
- Snohomish County Representative
- Whatcom County Representative

Healthcare Facility Committee
- Island County Representative
- San Juan County Representative
- Skagit County Representative
- Snohomish County Representative
- Whatcom County Representative

At-Large Committee
- Island County Representative
- San Juan County Representative
- Skagit County Representative
- Snohomish County Representative
- Whatcom County Representative

Consumer Committee
- Island County Representative
- San Juan County Representative
- Skagit County Representative
- Snohomish County Representative
- Whatcom County Representative

Elected Official Committee
- Island County Representative
- San Juan County Representative
- Skagit County Representative
- Snohomish County Representative
- Whatcom County Representative

Medical Control Committee
- Island County Medical Program Director
- San Juan County Medical Program Director
- Skagit County Medical Program Director
- Snohomish County Medical Program Director
- Whatcom County Medical Program Director

There are four additional independent positions elected by a majority vote within their organizations:
- Washington Ambulance Association Representative
- Aero Medical Representative
- Washington State Hospital Association Representative
- Law Enforcement Representative

The Regional Council's work for the DOH EMS & Trauma System is conducted through 8 different committees, including:

- Executive Board
- Regional Council
- Regional QI and Cardiac & Stroke (standing committee)
- Prehospital/Hospital (standing committee)
- Education (standing committee)
- Injury Prevention and Public Education (standing committee)
- Medical Control Committee

In addition, to the Regional EMS & Trauma Committees the North Region EMS & TCC office facilitates the following committees in coordination with the Region 1 Healthcare Coalition and Snohomish Public Health in support of the ASPR work/deliverables:

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WSHA Region 1 Health Care Coalition Steering Committee
WSHA Region 1 Health Care Coalition (R1HCC)
R1HCC - Hospital Emergency Preparedness and Response
R1HCC Focus Area – ACF & Medical Surge
R1HCC Focus Area – Evacuation & Shelter in Place
R1HCC Focus Area - Training & Exercises
R1HCC Focus Area – Mass Fatality Management
R1HCC Focus Area - Interoperable Communications
R1HCC Focus Area – Patient Tracking & Bed Control

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please contact our office for an application and we will walk you through the application process. Each appointment is for two years, and will expire on September 30 of the outgoing year. The completed application form is then sent to Mary Roberts, Regional Council Appointments Coordinator; Office of EMS and Trauma Systems; P.O. Box 47853; Olympia, WA 98504-7853.

Congratulations, and welcome aboard the North Region EMS & Trauma Care Council!

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Washington State Department of Health

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Health Systems Quality Assurance Division
Office of Community Health Systems

Regional EMS and Trauma Care Council
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please print all information and complete both sides of this application.

1. I, _____ am applying for ☐ appointment / ☐ reappointment
(Check One Above)

as the _____ representative on the
(please specify if "alternate")

_____ Region EMS/Trauma Care Council from _____ County.

2. Preferred mailing address for Regional Council business:

_____

_____

_____

Contact information:

Work (____)_____ Home (____)_____

FAX (____)_____ Email:_____

3. **LOCAL EMS COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION:**

Chair / President: _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

4. Complete if you are formally representing an agency or organization:
(attach any letters of recommendation)

Agency / organization name: _____

Head of organization: _____

5. Please answer the following:

a) Why are you interested in serving on the Regional Council?

b) What are your abilities, i.e., education, employment and/or experience that qualify you for this position? (attach any additional information)

c) Current employment: _____

_____	_____
Applicant Signature	Date

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Return completed form to:

Mary Roberts
Regional Council Appointments Coordinator
Office of EMS and Trauma System
PO Box 47853
Olympia, WA 98504-7853

Questions? Call (360) 236-2804.

Personal Information (Optional):

NOTE: *The Governor and the Department of Health desire a broad representation of backgrounds on boards, committees and councils. The information below will assist in this goal and is voluntary on your part.*

Of what race or ethnicity do you consider yourself to be?

❑ Black/African-American
❑ Asian or Pacific Islander American

If you are Asian or Pacific Islander, please check one box below:

❑ Chinese ❑ Vietnamese
❑ Filipino ❑ Asian Indian
❑ Hawaiian ❑ Japanese
❑ Korean ❑ Cambodian
❑ Samoan ❑ Laotian
❑ Guamanian ❑ Other: _____

❑ White/Caucasian
❑ American Indian or Alaska Native

If you are American Indian or Alaska Native, please check one box below:

❑ Eskimo
❑ Aleut

Enrolled or principal tribe if American Indian:

Tribe: _____

❑ Latino(a), Hispanic, or Spanish?

If you are Latino(a), Hispanic, or Spanish, please check one box below:

❑ Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano
❑ Puerto Rican
❑ Cuban
❑ Other Latino(a), Hispanic, or Spanish

Enter group, such as Colombian, Dominican, etc.

Group: _____

❑ Other Race: _____ Birth Date: _____/_____/_____ ❑ Female ❑ Male

Do you have a permanent physical, sensory, or mental condition that substantially limits your major life functions, such as working, caring for yourself, walking, doing things with your hands, seeing, hearing, speaking, and learning? ❑ Yes ❑ No

Have you ever been on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces? ❑ Yes ❑ No

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2016 KEY SPEAKERS

Mike Helbock is a former Paramedic and Senior Instructor for the Training and Education Division for Seattle/King County EMS. He is an author of many of the standard emergency medical practices and training procedures that are incorporated into the EMS community today, including the popular "SICK/NOT SICK" approach to patient care.

Michael Gerber is a paramedic, educator, and writer in the Washington, DC, area. He started in EMS with the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rescue Squad, where he continues to volunteer as a paramedic. He also served in the career fire service, as a paramedic, instructor, and QA/QI supervisor. He currently works for the RedFlash Group, a communications and outreach consulting firm serving the public safety and health communities.

Steve Berry has published 11 EMS related cartoon books since his escapades as a paramedic and EMS instructor began over 30 years ago. Steve pens his humor column and illustrations for EMS Magazine. A national conference speaker and a paramedic for Southwest Teller County EMS in Colorado, Steve seeks world peace along with frequent flyer mileage.

Vicki Sakata is trained in Emergency Medicine and Pediatrics, with subspecialty board certification in Pediatric Emergency Medicine. Clinical Associate Professor, University of Washington, Seattle; Mary Bridge Children's Hospital Staff Emergency Medicine Physician; Senior Medical Advisor, Northwest Healthcare Response Network; WA-1 DMAT Medical Officer. Speaker at multiple local and national disaster preparedness workshops and conferences; MD from University of Colorado.

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SCHEDULE

Times		Day
8:00-5:00 8:00-5:00 8:00-12:00 1:00-4:00	• 12 Lead ECG *Carleton* • Advanced Burn Life Support *Paulsen* • CPR for the Healthcare Provider *Sluys* • High Performance CPR for BLS *Sluys* **PRECONFERENCE**	THURSDAY 14
8:00-12:00 12:00-1:00 1:00-5:30	Welcome BLS is the new ALS *Gerber* Anchors Away *Gerber* • Lunch Provided Art of Professionalism *Helbock* Joy of EMS *Berry* Fun at Work *Berry*	FRIDAY 15
10:00-3:30	• ***Vendor fair***	SATURDAY 16
8:00-10:00 10:15-12:15 12:15-1:15 1:15-3:15 3:30-5:50 	• Is there an EMT on the plane? *Gerber* *(Choose one from each time block)* • Peds Sick/Not Sick & SALT *Helbock & Sakata* • Today's Toxicology Emergencies *Garrard* • EMS Response to Active Shooter (Classroom) *Almer* • Home Improvement Trauma *Berry* • Peds Sick/Not Sick & SALT *Helbock & Sakata* • Time Means Brain: Understanding Stroke *Sheehy* • Domestic Violence Sexual Assualt Panel • Lunch provided • Home Improvement Trauma *Berry* • Mythbusters: "No Pain, No Gain," Managing Painful Procedures in Peds *Sakata* • Moulage *Hart* • Today's Toxicology Emergencies *Garrard* • Domestic Violence Sexual Assualt Panel • LVAD *Smith* • Moulage *Hart* • Mental Health Patient Panel	
1:15-5:30	EMS Response to Active Shooter; off-site (Hands-on) (must be combined with 8:00-10:00 class) limited participants	

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

12 Lead ECG Carleton - Take your knowledge further in this pre-conference workshop as you learn how to identify advanced lethal ECG rhythms, helping you positively impact a patient's morbidity and possible mortality. Bring your thinking caps!

Advanced Burn Life Support This eight hour pre-conference workshop is designed for physicians, nurses, therapists, paramedics and other EMS providers. This hands-on training will enhance your ability to assess and stabilize patients with serious burns during the first critical hours following injury, and to identify those patients who meet criteria for transfer to a burn center. Following a series of lectures, case studies are presented for group discussions, and you will work with simulated burn patients to reinforce assessment, stabilization, and transfer criteria. A written exam and practical skills assessment will conclude the workshop, and certification from the American Burn Association will be received upon completion of the course evaluation.

High Performance CPR Sluys - This hands-on pre-conference workshop will cover elements demonstrated to improve outcomes in the treatment of cardiac arrest, including the 10 steps to improve survival, based on the Resuscitation Academy's curriculum on High Performance CPR. Join a motivated group of instructors and students in creating a resuscitation culture of excellence.

2015 American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) Sluys - for Healthcare Providers course includes: Key changes in basic life support, reflecting the new science from the 2015 American Heart Association Guidelines for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care and critical concepts of high-quality CPR. CPR AHA cards provided.

BLS is the New ALS: Why EMS Needs to Rethink the Roles of EMTs and Paramedics Gerber In the past, we often thought of patients as either "BLS" or "ALS." But patients are not one or the other, providers are. Today we realize that many critical patients only need BLS treatments, while ALS assessments may help us find the right care for chronic patients with "minor" problems. This talk will use medical evidence to re-examine how we view the difference between BLS and ALS and how those paradigms are harming EMS today.

Anchors Away: Avoiding Critical Decision Making Errors That Could Harm You and Your Patients Gerber - This talk focuses on cognitive biases and how they influence critical decision making in EMS. Through case studies, we learn the different types of biases, how to recognize them, and steps to prevent them from leading us down the wrong path.

The 'Art' of Professionalism Helbock - Every individual in EMS is in this profession for similar reasons. They are compassionate, motivated, self-starters who want to spend their lives helping others. Many see themselves as 'professionals' but do their peers or supervisors see them that why? Come and sit while I discuss the ups and downs of this noble profession and help foster the compassion that got you into this job many years ago..... Are you ready to go there?

Joy of EMS Berry - EMS definitely has its ups and downs, and the people who are in EMS are attracted to and stay in it because of the joy we find in doing our work every day. To stay in it for the long haul means we have to find a positive attitude and bring joy to our work. In this lighthearted look at our occupation, EMS humorist Steve Berry will help remind us to keep it light, have fun and remember some of the simple joys we all find in our service to community.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Fun at Work Berry - Hey, it's okay to experience joy and fun at work. It makes good business sense. In the world of emergency health care, mixing business with pleasure can play a vital role in boosting morale and productivity among stressed out employees. Bringing humor into the workplace can help bridge the traditional management – employee gap and allow for a more creative and supportive work environment. Join us as Steve offers some amusing techniques to motivate, inspire, and build pride in your coworkers.

Is there an EMT on the Plane? Responding to Medical Emergencies on Commercial Flights Gerber Many of us have been on a flight and heard the call: "Is there a medical professional on the plane?" What you might not know is that commercial airlines are required to carry a limited amount of medical equipment. In this class, we'll learn what that equipment is, the epidemiology of emergencies on commercial flights, and how treating a patient at 30,000 feet differs from treating one on the ground. (Presented at 2014 Virginia EMS Symposium.)

This interactive, dynamic course will cover the latest on pediatric assessment of the sick and injured, as well as teach the components of triage as it pertains to the pediatric patient!

Pediatric SICK/NOT SICK! Helbock - A Guide to Rapid Pediatric Patient Assessment - Rapid assessment and appropriate treatment of the "Sick" pediatric patient can mean the difference between a child that survives and one who does not. Pediatric assessment doesn't need to be intimidating. Learn from the author of the famed "Sick/Not Sick" program on how to use a "triad" of key indicators to quickly assess and decide the correct treatment path. By using the "triangle", pediatric assessment has never been easier!

Mass Casualty Triage: Try adding some SALT Sakata - Triage in times of an overwhelming number of patients is very different from everyday triage, even in today's environment when most emergency rooms and hospitals are full and functioning at capacity. In 2007 a group of trauma experts convened by the CDC developed a new algorithm called SALT (Sort, Assess, Lifesaving measures, Treat/Transport). This talk will discuss the specific challenges of pediatric triage in an MCI and through case studies compare JumpSTART and SALT identifying strength and weaknesses of both.

Toxicology for the 1st Responder Dr. Garrard - will present the emerging drugs of abuse including bath salts and synthetic marijuana, as well as Molly and flakka, e-cigs and others. Management considerations for the EMS community and resources available to them will also be discussed.

EMS Response to Active Shooter "hands on" exercises Almer - This 2 part course provides information to EMS responders on how to prepare for a response to an active shooter incident. Presented by professionals with over a collective five decades of experience in the tactical law enforcement realm, attendees will receive training on tactical concepts and applications, field-tested medical skills and considerations. The morning classroom is open to anyone but must taken to participate in the 4 hour "hands on" exercises that give attendees a foundation for further development of these skills. *Please note that attendees will be expected to be in good physical shape and wear suitable clothing for practical exercises in a tense, rapidly-evolving, dynamic environment. Protective equipment shall be supplied by the instructor cadre as well as safety protocols and expectations.

Home Improvement Trauma Berry - 70% of construction related injuries are week-end warrior types because all you really need is a can of cold beer in one hand and a power tool in the other. Examine some of the most common and uncommon injuries when man fails to stay focused on the task at hand by addressing assessment, care and scene safety. This class is balanced with humor in one hand and a power tool power point remote in the other.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

(LVAD) Smith - This session will focus on the Left Ventricular Assist Device (LVAD) now being placed in critically ill myocardial failure patients. Learn about the devices, troubleshooting, and changes to patient assessment and care.

Mental Health Patients Be part of a round table discussion of professionals who regularly deal with the mentally ill. As emergency health care providers, we often contact patients with some type of mental illness, yet many of us receive very little training about it. Learn ways of deescalating situations and keeping ourselves and co-workers safe. As a part of the health care system in our region we want your input as we look for solutions to some of the problems within our emergency health care system. Through this interactive session you will learn the recourses available in the community so patients can get the help they need.

Moulage for Realistic Training Hart - Great benefit is gained through practice that incorporates "victims" that are true to life when training to respond to disasters and emergencies. Having "injury artists" who can help prepare "victims" greatly increases the effectiveness of training. No special expertise is needed to take this class. Limited to 30 participants.

Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Panel A panel of professionals will explain the various roles and responsibilities of coordinated response to domestic violence/sexual assault incidents to provide pre-hospital care providers the skills to best support victims of these crimes. From dispatch, treatment in the field, emergency department, through support and advocacy, your questions regarding the entire continuum of care will be discussed. Learn how best to interact with victims, how victims may react and respond to care givers, and how responders may contribute to the support system from an informed perspective.

Time Means Brain: Understanding Stroke Sheehy - Motivated by the understanding that "time means brain", EMS providers work hard to provide effective and rapid pre-hospital care and transport. Enhance your role as a major player in Stroke Systems of Care with a greater understanding of the physiology and epidemiology of CVA, and the critical pieces of information which enhance the evaluation and treatment in the ED for improved patient outcomes.

Mythbusters: "No Pain, No Gain", Managing Painful Procedures in Pediatrics Sakata Much of the fear in managing pediatric patients is the fear of "hurting them". And yet, injury and illness is the reason they have come into our care. Much of the previous teaching in pediatrics employed the use of "brutane" (i.e. the "just do it" philosophy of pain management). However, multiple advancements have been made. This 2 hour session will introduce you to a wide array of techniques you can employ tomorrow in taking care of your pediatric patients. We will discuss both non-pharmacologic and pharmacologic tools, review recent literature, and equip you with the techniques you need to help your smallest patients.

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THURSDAY PRE CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (Lunch on your own)

☐ Advanced 12 Lead ECG 8:00-5:00 (offsite)	☐ $125	☐ $100 w/one day conference	☐ $80 w/two day conference
☐ Advanced Burn Life Support 8:00-5:00 (offsite)	☐ $125	☐ $100 w/one day conference	☐ $80 w/two day conference
☐ CPR for Healthcare Providers 8:00-12:00	☐ $65	☐ $50 w/one day conference	☐ $40 w/two day conference
☐ High Performance CPR for BLS 1:00-5:00	☐ $65	☐ $50 w/one day conference	☐ $40 w/two day conference

Pre Conference Total $_____

Friday and Saturday Main Conference (Lunch Provided)

☐ Friday **only** $110 ☐ Saturday **only** $110 ☐ Friday **and** Saturday $190 $_____

Late registration (if received after March 18th) $25 $_____

Main Conference Total $_____

Please register for Saturday classes

8:00-10:00
- ☐ Is there an EMT on the Plane?
- ☐ Pediatric Sick/Not Sick & SALT
- ☐ Today's Toxicology Emergencies
- ☐ EMS Response to Active Shooter (Classroom Session)

10:15-12:15
- ☐ Home Improvement Trauma
- ☐ Pediatric Sick/Not Sick & SALT
- ☐ Time Means Brain: Understanding Stroke
- ☐ Domestic Violence / Sexual Assault Panel

12:15 – 1:15 Lunch (Provided)

1:15- 5:30
- ☐ EMS Response to Active Shooter - Hands On (8:00-10:00 Session Required) off-site *limited participants

1:15-3:15
- ☐ Home Improvement Trauma
- ☐ Mythbusters: "No Pain, No Gain", Managing Painful Procedures in Pediatrics
- ☐ Moulage *limited participants
- ☐ Today's Toxicology Emergencies

3:30-5:30
- ☐ Domestic Violence / Sexual Assault Panel
- ☐ LVAD
- ☐ Moulage *limited participants
- ☐ Mental Health Patient Panel

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