Supporting Our Colleagues...Regardless of How Far Away!

As many saw this past quarter, we were approached to help in the humanitarian efforts in Ukraine by donating an offline ambulance through Hunter’s Ambulance Service for an area hardest hit by the ongoing horrific war. Once we found out the hospital – based agency in Irpin, Ukraine needed far more than just an ambulance, we were able to connect with many EMS agencies across Connecticut, and stuff enough equipment to stock, not 1, but 3 ambulances of supplies! More than $30,000 in medical supplies in addition to the ambulance – through the generosity of the agencies below – is now actively in service, staffed by our colleagues overseas in the direst of situations.

Special thanks to:
- Cornwall Fire EMS and Lt Jayne Elizabeth Ridgway
- Granby Ambulance and Chief Kate Coupe
- Hartford HealthCare EMS/Charlotte Hungerford Hospital Paramedics and Ryan Antonowicz, Alexi Beaulieu, Joe Kosswig, Fred Rosa, and Trish Wain
- Hartford Hospital Pharmacy
- Hunter's Ambulance Service, Inc.
- LIFE STAR and CCT RN Eric Tuvell
- Stamford EMS and Bill Ackley
- Winsted Ambulance and Chief Arne Meis
- Weston EMS and Captain Chris Bradbury

Agencies wishing to still donate medical supplies, please contact us at HHCEMS@hhchealth.org.

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There is Still Time to Sign-up!

**What**
3rd Annual Hartford HealthCare EMS Symposium

**When**
Friday, September 23rd and Saturday, September 24th

**Where**
Hartford HealthCare’s Center for Education, Simulation Innovation (on the Hartford Hospital campus)

**About**
The Hartford HealthCare EMS Symposium combines the use of our state of the art simulation center along with small group, hands-on access to more than forty (40) subject matter experts from Hartford HealthCare and across the region

Limited space is still available for Friday with additional space available for Saturday’s lecture series.

Please email HHCEMS@hhchealth.org for more information.

Attendance includes:

**Friday**
Breakfast, lunch, snacks, “debrief” social at the end of the day, Supplies, and welcome gift

**Saturday**
Breakfast, lunch, snacks, and thank you gift
3rd Annual Hartford HealthCare EMS Symposium Schedule

Friday Simulation
*Rotate through 45 – minute hands-on simulation stations with subject matter experts from across the region*

- **Station 1:** High fidelity simulation: *Mega Code*
- **Station 2:** High fidelity simulation: *Trauma Response*
- **Station 3:** Airway intervention and maintenance lab
- **Station 4:** High fidelity simulation: *Bleeding Control*
- **Station 5:** Ultrasound Use in the Pre-Hospital Environment
- **Station 6:** Response and interaction with LVAD devices
- **Station 7:** Live tissue simulation: airway intervention

Saturday Presentations & Tracks

**8:45 – 9:15**
Welcome Address: HHC SVP and EMS Executive Sponsor, Gary Havican

**9:25 – 10:10**
- ALS/BLS: EMS Case Study
- ALS: LIFE STAR Case Study – Alcohol Withdrawals – Treatment & Concerns
- Non-Clinical: OSHA Compliance

**10:20 – 11:05**
- ALS/BLS: Neurologic Emergencies
- ALS: Cardiac Arrest Paradigm
- Non-Clinical: Provider Substance Use

**11:15 – 12:00**
- ALS/BLS: Redefining Infectious Disease Response
- ALS: Toxicology
- Non-Clinical: CEMSAB Regional Collaboration Roundtable – State of EMS

**1:10 – 1:55**
- ALS/BLS: Police / EMS Interface
- ALS: Resuscitation before Intubation
- Non-Clinical: EMDR & Provider Mental Health

**2:05 – 2:50**
- ALS/BLS: Trauma Response – Transfusion Indicators & Damage Control
- ALS: TXA & Blood Use – Modalities in the Pre-hospital Environment
- Non-Clinical: The Culture of EMS

**3:00 – 3:45**
- ALS/BLS: Neurotrauma & Traumatic Brain Injury
- ALS: Pericardial Tamponade
- Non-Clinical: Sleep Deprivation and Impact on Clinical Care

**3:55 – 4:40**
- ALS/BLS: Pediatric Resuscitation
- ALS: Normotensive Shock
- Non-Clinical: EMS Compassion Fatigue
Case #1: Bridgeport, CT

Agency and Personnel
- AMR – Bridgeport EMT David Morales and Paramedic Paul Albanesi

Situation
Patient developed chest pain while having a procedure done at a doctor’s office. EMS was called, and during transfer the patient presented as lethargic and diaphoretic with pale and cool skin. An EKG revealed ST elevations in leads V5 and V6 with reciprocal changes observed in the septal anterior leads. Timely ALS care was rendered with prompt notification to a nearby cath lab prior to transport. After successful cardiac intervention, the patient was discharged home.

Case #2: Bridgeport, CT

Agency and Personnel
- AMR – Bridgeport EMT Farrah Liscinsky and Paramedic Cody Esbjerg

Situation
Patient presented with sudden onset of 8/10 chest pressure radiating to their jaw and left arm with pale and diaphoretic skin. The initial EKG revealed ST elevations in the inferior leads w/ reciprocal changes. The patient self-treated with 324 mg ASA prior to EMS arrival, which was combined with the team hitting all quality benchmarks. After successful cardiac intervention, the patient was discharged home.

Join us at EMS / Fire Pro 2022!
October 27-29th
Foxwoods Resort & Casino

HHC EMS is once again a proud leading sponsor!
Case #3: Hartford, CT

Agency and Personnel
- Aetna Ambulance Paramedics Wayne Buckley, Michael Glazier, and Matthew Campbell along with EMT Steve McDuell
- American Medical Response
- Ambulance Service of Manchester
- Hartford Hospital ED and trauma team
- LIFE STAR
- Rocky Hill Fire personnel
- Rocky Hill Police Sgt. Jeff Foss-Rugan (EMT)
- Yale – New Haven “SHARP” Team

Situation
On Friday, August 19th, units in Rocky Hill responded to a patient entrapped in a piece of construction equipment. arrived to find a complicated extrication. Upon assessment of the patient it was determined in consultation with Hartford Hospital ED medical control that the situation required surgical intervention. A surgical team from Hartford Hospital, the YNHH SHARP team, LIFE STAR, AMR, and ASM all responded to the scene. This multidisciplinary team came together to achieve an excellent patient outcome under extraordinary circumstances. An after-action review was conducted to ensure that this level of dedication to patient care doesn't go unrecognized. Excellent work!
Case #4: Hartford, CT

Agency and Personnel
- Hartford Fire Department
- Aetna Ambulance Paramedics David Kemp and Matthew Martinelli and EMTs Iryna Davidowich and Terry Perry

Situation
Responded to a patient in their 40s who was found at their workplace unresponsive and in cardiac arrest. Hartford Fire Department was first on scene and initiated CPR, providing a single AED shock with subsequent ROSC and return of consciousness after a short time. The Hartford Hospital cardiothoracic surgery team later performed a successful surgery and the patient was able to be discharged home to return to a normal life.

Case #5: Manchester, CT

Agencies and Personnel
- Manchester Police Department
- Town of Manchester Fire-Rescue-EMS Paramedics Philippe Brouchu, Orlando Diaz, Bryan Goulet, Sean Matta, and Ryan Paretti
- Ambulance Service of Manchester Paramedics Cheryl Everest and Mackinze Williamson
Case #5: Manchester, CT continued

Situation
The team responded to a patient who sustained a witnessed cardiac arrest at home. Manchester Police arrived first and initiated high quality CPR. EMS responders continued with ongoing ALS resuscitation of refractory ventricular fibrillation that included multiple defibrillations, epinephrine and amiodarone. The team ultimately achieved ROSC and the patient regained consciousness in the field. EMS 12 lead identified a “STEMI” and the patient transported to a cath lab where a 100% occlusion of the proximal LAD was identified, opened and stented. The patient was discharged home after a brief hospitalization.

Case #6: Torrington, CT

Agency and Personnel
- Torrington Fire Department
- Torrington Police Department
- Hartford HealthCare EMS / Charlotte Hungerford Hospital Paramedic Joseph Kosswig
- Trinity Health of New England EMS Ambulance Paramedics Kyle Carney and Ken Shafer, Paramedic and Operations Supervisor, Alex Limbos, EMTs Troy Curulla, Sarah Curulla, and EMT Ralph Cruz

Situation
The team recently responded to a party that had sustained a GSW. Shortly after arrival, the Charlotte Hungerford Hospital paramedic was requested for airway management, including rapid sequence intubation. While awaiting transport by LIFE STAR, the patient went into cardiac arrest and was successfully treated and resuscitated. Upon achieving ROSC, the patient was transported to a trauma center where they underwent successful surgery. The patient survived their injuries and was eventually discharged. The team is pictured with Dr. Sean Caffyn, Charlotte Hungerford EMS Medical Director.
Case #7: Hebron, CT

Agency and Personnel
- Windham Hospital Paramedic Jonathan Hall with NBEMSA Paramedic Intern
- Hebron Fire EMS

Situation
Upon arrival, the team was presented with a patient experiencing cardiac related symptoms. An EKG revealed an inferior wall STEMI. The crew diverted to the nearest cath lab, with all quality benchmarks achieved! After successful cardiac intervention, the patient was discharged home.

Case #8: Willimantic, CT

Agency and Personnel
- Windham Hospital Paramedic Corey Curtis-Gray with NBEMSA Paramedic Intern
- Willimantic Fire EMS

Situation
The team was dispatched to a patient attacked by animal on a farm. Injuries included a kidney laceration, liver laceration, pneumothorax, fractured sternum, and cardiac contusion. Due to the prompt actions of the pre-hospital crew and coordinated trauma care, the patient is expected to have a positive prognosis!

Case #9: Killingly, CT

Agency and Personnel
- Windham Hospital Paramedic Jessica Casey
- KB Ambulance Service

Situation
On arrival, the team found an elderly patient with SOB, and subsequently went into V-tach during transport. The patient was defibrillated with great ALS care en route. ROSC was achieved, transferred to a nearby hospital where the patient underwent further care, and is expected to make a strong recovery!
Stroke Cases

Stroke Pins are awarded across our system for successfully meeting pre-hospital criteria for stroke, enabling the patient to receive TPA in under 30 minutes at the Emergency Department.

Recently, at MidState Medical Center and The Hospital of Central Connecticut, the following individuals were awarded and recognized for their efforts!

**AMR Paramedic Jeff Davis** and EMT **Rachael Kearney**

**Hunter’s Ambulance**
Paramedics **John Balint, Kyle Mclean** (pictured), and **Robert Wagner** with EMT **Heather Roy** and EMT **Wesley Hurd**

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In the Field

**Hartford Hospital**

**Enfield EMS**
Paramedic **Steven Adams**
Paramedic **Tyler Barth**
EMT **Imahni Wallace**

Congratulations to these colleagues who assisted in a successful prehospital delivery of a healthy infant on the side of a highway en route to a nearby hospital. They were awarded the HH Medical Directors Award for Clinical Excellence by Dr. Johndro for their amazing work in difficult circumstances.
In the Field

Hartford Hospital (continued)

Welcome our new Hartford Hospital EMS Network Development Manager

We welcome Robert Rautio to our EMS team as the new Hartford Hospital EMS Network Development Manager. After 15 years of involvement with EMS in Eastern Connecticut, Rob has carried his experience and passion in EMS into his role at HHC. Rob has taken his role by storm, joining his colleagues to enable the success of EMS agencies and providers in the greater Hartford area. In addition to his EMS centric focus, Rob is involved in community outreach, municipal collaboration, and patient movement initiatives.

To reach our system EMS Network Development Managers:
- Charlotte Hungerford Hospital
  - Fred Rosa (EMS Operations Manager): Frederick.Rosa@hhchealt.org
- Hartford Region
  - Robert Rautio: Robert.Rautio@hhchealth.org
- Hospital of Central Connecticut / MidState Medical Center
  - Todd Jones: Todd.Jones@hhchealth.org
- St. Vincent’s Medical Center
  - James Powell: James.Powell@hhchealth.org

Charlotte Hungerford Hospital

Thank you to our CHH “Northwest Medic 1” team on standby at the Tour of Litchfield Hills and the Torrington Road Race (below). The team was also on hand for the recent “Friendly Hands Food Bank” Charity Softball Game with Governor Lamont and Bob Stefanowski. The team continues to support Friendly Hands Food Bank on a regular basis with fundraising efforts along with Torrington Fire Department.
In the Field

MidState Medical Center

- Congratulations to the team at Wallingford Fire for successfully implementing rapid sequence intubation (RSI) this past quarter. The team has used this skill twice since implementation with successful outcome in each!

- THOCC – Bradley and MidState Medical Center welcomes Dr. Dan Engelberg as the new EMS Medical Director. Special thanks to Dr. Caffyn for his service in the position, as he transitions to continue serving as EMS Medical Director at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital.

- Hunter’s Ambulance Service awarded stork pins to EMTs Elena Gaughan and Ian Pieper who recently helped deliver a healthy baby girl!

In the Field

Great work by Hunter’s Ambulance for this great safety initiative poster!

A simple message for a critical issue!
**In the Field**

To our most recently cleared Paramedics/Preceptors

**Aetna Ambulance**  
Anthony Casasanta  
Esteban Enriquez  
Brandon Gregorieff  
Thomas Makin  
Adrian Lopata

**American Medical Response**  
*Bridgeport & Waterbury*  
Tom Armstrong  
Jessica Carde  
Travis Dixon  
Estelle Fazzone  
Harley Heath  
Erin Heritage  
Joe Kearney  
Robert Segal

**HHC EMS / Charlotte Hungerford Hospital**  
Ellen Ostrander  
Dave Rivera

**Hunter’s Ambulance Service**  
Jaelle Hersey  
Nicholas Joaquim  
Jeffrey Tapp  
Paul Winter

**West Hartford Fire Department**  
Ryan Gorton, Preceptor  
Xavier Harrelle  
Zachary Wright

**Windsor EMS**  
Jaymine Patel, Preceptor
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- HHC EMS Coordinator: West: Paul Pedchenko (Windham)
- HHC EMS Coordinator: St. Vincent’s: Terence Sheehan
- HHC EMS Network Mgr: St. Vincent’s: James Powell
- HHC EMS Coordinator: Hartford: David Bailey
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- LIFE STAR RN Manager: Heather Standish