

Red Pod Time Out Procedure

If you have recently brought a patient into the Red Pod at Hartford Hospital, designated for emergent medical and trauma patients, you have noticed our new "Time Out" procedure upon entering the room with a patient.

"Time Out: Report in 30 Seconds"

We encourage you to send your feedback to your regional HHC EMS Coordinator on any feedback you have as we fully implement this policy.

Systemwide News

Hartford HealthCare is proud to announce we have become the first system in the region to sign with ESO Solutions to implement a Health Data Exchange at all of our hospitals.

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THOCC & MidState Medical Center Central Region HIGHLIGHTS

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Congratulations to **Wallingford Paramedics Nate West Rosenthal and Joshua Barrows** on graduating from the CT Fire Academy.



Congratulations to new **Hunters Paramedic Jeff McGoldrick** on completing his precepting and obtaining MidState Medical Control.



New Britain EMS Academy Paramedic Program graduated 10 Students from class 09-17, **Best of luck in their new EMS careers.**



Last month, the **Wallingford Fire Department** was awarded a Bronze 2018 Mission: Lifeline EMS Recognition Award from the American Heart Association. This award is for an EMS agency that has a minimum of at least four STEMI patients transported directly to an appropriate cardiac hospital for fibrinolytic administration.

This Bronze award is for achieving 75% or higher adherence for at least one, 90 consecutive day interval on all "Mission: Lifeline" EMS quality measures to improve the care for STEMI patients. [A job well done by members of the Wallingford Fire Department.](#)

Important Dates of Note....

July 30, 2018

PFI Meeting: Hunters Paramedic Field Instructors
MidState EMS Office
17:00hrs

Backus Hospital and Windham Hospital East Region HIGHLIGHTS

EMS – Coordinator & Paramedic Mgr - Windham Hospital
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The Windham Hospital Paramedic Program through the generosity of Windham Auxiliary purchased three Hospira Sapphire Multi Therapy Infusion Pumps. These single channel pumps will be used emergently for infusions such as Levophed, Epinephrine, Magnesium Sulfate, and Amiodarone.

They can also be used for critical care transfers to other facilities.



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Congratulations to the **Mohegan Tribal Fire Department** for being awarded a Bronze Plus Designation by the American Heart Association for its STEMI care in 2017. The department was consistently above quality standards for prompt 12-lead application and transmission into the ED.



Congratulations to **Backus Hospital** for achieving the necessary requirements to become a Primary Stroke Center. Patients suffering from a stroke will now be properly screened and treated locally. For patients suffering a large vessel occlusion (LVO), the patient will be expedited to Hartford Hospital – one of only two Comprehensive Stroke Centers in Connecticut.

Upcoming CMEs at Backus

August 7, 2018

Stroke Program Update and Management of Stroke Emergencies presented by Melissa Lawson, RN, Backus Hospital Stroke Program Coordinator

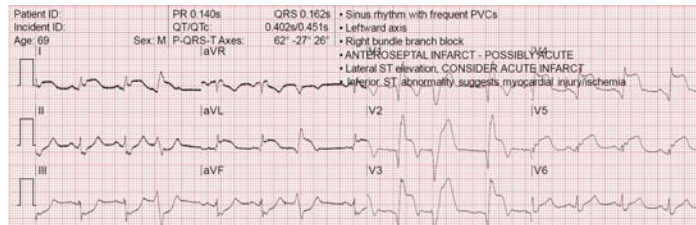
Hartford Hospital

Hartford Region HIGHLIGHTS

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STEMI Save: Great work by Aetna Paramedic Thomas Winterbottom and EMT Shawn Testa with a rapid 12 lead, immediate transmission, radio alert, and rapid transport. **The crew achieved a first medical contact to device time of 56 minutes!**



The extremely timely PCI allowed for early balloon pump support when the progressed into heart failure – **saving the patient's life.**

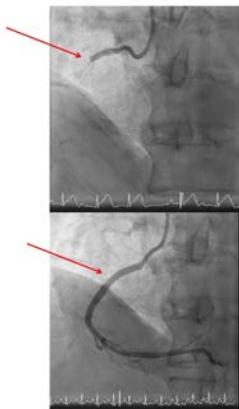
Outcome: Discharged home with service 7 days later.



Windsor EMS Paramedic Tom Bertelsen and EMTs Audrey Stepp and Christian Rapp did a great job with very rapid 12 lead, immediate transmission, radio alert, and rapid transport.

First medical contact: 1521hrs
12 lead transmission: 1526hrs
Depart Scene: 1534hrs
Registered at HH: 1556hrs
Arrival at Cath Lab: 1622hrs
Device Time: 1646hrs

Time lapse: 85 minutes off-hours on the weekend.



Charlotte Hungerford Hospital

Northwest Region HIGHLIGHTS

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Perfect Care Coordination and Use of the Chain of Survival



Litchfield County Dispatcher Matt Ludwig received a 911 call from a passerby in the city of Torrington for a 67-year old female that was complaining of chest pain. She soon became unresponsive and went into cardiac arrest. As the caller was given CPR instructions, Campion Ambulance Service Paramedics Tom Boisvert, Tom Mahoney and EMT Joshua Magdule, arrived on scene with the Torrington Fire Department Lt. Chesanek, and firefighters Aaron Picz, David Munson, and Brian White. The patient was defibrillated, pulses were restored, and the patient was transported to Charlotte Hungerford.

Outcome: The patient was further stabilized, transported to Hartford Hospital via LIFE STAR. A stent was placed to clear 80 – 85% stenosis of distal RCA.

Pictured left is upon arrival at HH; with post-surgical intervention on right.



Upcoming Continuing Education Opportunities August 8th

Pediatric Drowning and Anaphylaxis
 Bantam Fire Company

September 24th

Monthly CME: – Topic TBD

All CMEs begin at 1900hrs in the Memorial Conference Room

LIFE STAR

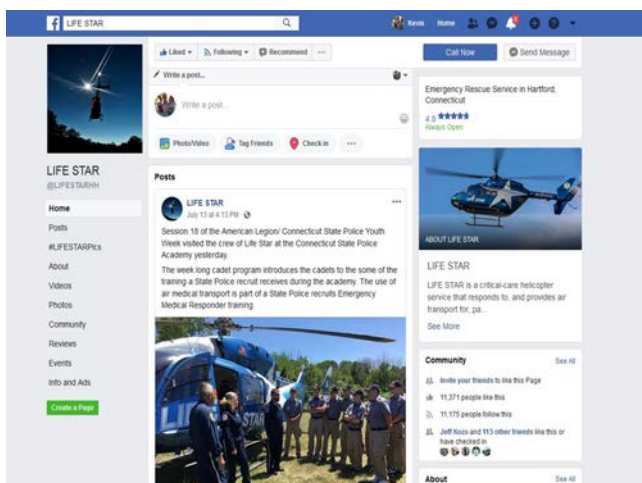
In our 33 years of service, the LIFE STAR Critical Care Transport Team has seen significant growth and development. Through this we have served a great number of facilities and providers.

Now, in partnership with the Center for Education, Simulation, and Innovation (CESI) at Hartford Hospital, we will be working with our EMS education team on robust offerings in the coming months.



This prospect will not only improve our relationship with our EMS partners, but improve everyone's ability to render care to those in our charge.

In addition to this newsletter, please follow LIFE STAR on our Facebook page and reach out to ensure you are subscribed to our own newsletter. [LIFE STAR Lines](#).



SYSTEM-WIDE TIDBITS

Save the Date

1st Annual Ayer Neuroscience Institute Symposium

Saturday, October 27

Connecticut Convention Center

Learn from leading national experts in stroke care, sports – related injuries, headaches, epilepsy, and emergency neurological care.

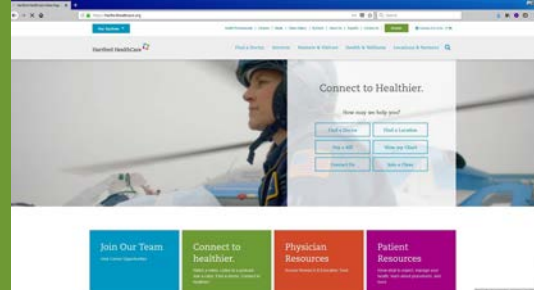
EMS CMEs pending

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Coming in August...



HHC EMS Webpage

Your direct link to pertinent stories, news and information specific for EMS across the system.

Visit www.hartfordhealthcare.org for more information.



HHC Becomes the First System in the Region to Implement a System wide Health Data Exchange

Recognizing the importance of communication with EMS, Hartford HealthCare has signed with ESO Solutions to install a Health Data Exchange interface at each of their hospitals.

What is a Health Data Exchange?

The ESO Health Data Exchange (HDE) is a first-of-its-kind interoperability platform connecting EMS and hospitals. HDE delivers the EMS patient care record (PCR) and discrete data to receiving facilities and returns demographic, billing and clinical outcome data to EMS.

Next Steps:

Your local EMS Coordinator will be in contact with your agency over the next couple of months to discuss how this interface works, and how it will not only help improve patient billing, but most importantly, improve the clinical acumen of your EMS providers.

What to look forward to...

Patient demographics -

- 1) Once the patient is registered, your chart will interface with all hospital information - including billing information.

Patient outcomes -

- 2) Once the patient chart is complete and all tests have been performed, an addendum to your chart will be sent outlining the patient's clinical diagnosis and relevant health information such as procedures, test results, disposition and much more!

It's more than just a Logo...



As Hartford HealthCare grows, our logo is representative of the culture we look to instill in our employees and our healthcare partners. Quality is at the heart of what we do, and as we continue to build the relationship with all of you, we look forward to partnering and instilling our values, and most importantly our vision, of being the *most trusted for personalized coordinated care*.

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System Calendar of Events

Does your organization have a special event or education seminar that you would like to promote? Email it to Kevin.Ferrarotti@hhchealth.org.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July	2	3 BH CME: Respiratory Emergencies	4 Independence Day	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 CHH CME (Goshen) Understanding Lung Sounds	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 MMC: PFI Meeting - Hunter's Medic FTOs	31 HH CME (Suffield): Stroke Care with Dr. Alberts				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 BH CME: Stroke Program Update	8 CHH CME (Bantam): Pediatric Drowning/Anaphylaxis	9	10	11
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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September						1
2	3 Labor Day	4 BH CME: EKG & STEMI Review	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 HH EMS Agency Meeting	20	21	22
23	24 CHH: CME Topic TBD	25	26	27 CHH: Regional Chief's Meeting	28	29
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Key: BH: Backus Hospital; CHH: Charlotte Hungerford; HH: Hartford Hospital
HOCC: Hospital of Central CT; MMC: MidState Medical Center; WH: Windham Hospital
Please contact the EMS Coordinator for more information / dates / times / location

In Memorium...

On behalf of our partners in the EMS community we extend our deepest condolences to the Windsor Volunteer Ambulance and the family of EMT George Brooks, who died in the Line of Duty, July 11, 2018. Rest easy EMT Brooks.

