

**2015 Healthcare Emergency Management Workshop - T REACH**  
**Trauma Management for Rural EMS And Community Hospitals**

Tuesday, May 05, 2015 @ 8:30am– 5:15pm  
Finger Lakes Gaming & Racetrack's Meeting and Conference Center – Farmington, NY

**WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES**

- Demonstrate knowledge of the NYS trauma system and the ACS-Committee on Trauma's (COT's) verification process for NYS
- Define the "golden hour" in trauma care and how transport measures (helicopter and ground transport) are an integral part of the regional trauma system
- Recognize priorities and protocol shifts in the initial assessment, transport and management of suspected spinal injuries.
- Distinguish characteristics of the pediatric trauma patient
- Identify common and unusual farm related injuries
- Recognize the cultural differences when responding to an incident in the Amish or Mennonite community
- Appreciate the impact of a natural disaster on the healthcare community through the sharing of best practices and lessons learned from Snowvember 2014
- Identify Regional Trauma Center resources for continued outreach opportunities

**TOPIC OBJECTIVES**

**The New York State Trauma System** - William H Marx, DO – Upstate University Hospital

- Understand how the NYS trauma system was initiated
- Understand the need for new verification criteria
- Understand how NYS adopted the ACS-COT's verification process for NYS

**Helicopters & Trauma: State of the Science in Support of HEMS** - Mark Gestring, MD – UPMC Kessler Trauma

- Define the "golden hour" in trauma care
- Describe the evolution of scientific support for helicopter utilization in trauma
- Understand why HEMS should be an integral part of the regional trauma system

**BLS Protocol Changes for Suspected Spinal Injury** - Brian Clemency, DO – Erie County Medical Center

- Recognize the upcoming shift from routine spinal immobilization to judicious use of a long spine board and liberal use of cervical collars
- Understand the remaining educational and implementation process for activation of changes to the NYS BLS protocol T-8
- Understand the practice recommendation of Emergency Department RN facilitated back board removal prior to a practitioner medical evaluation

**Pediatric Trauma** - Tamer A. Ahmed, MD – Upstate University Hospital

- Recognition of the traumatically injured child
- Identification of common injury patterns in pediatric trauma
- Utilizing the resources available in our Region to provide pediatric patients the care that they need
- The role of the local community in Pediatric Injury Prevention

**You Know it's Bad When....Stories From Amish Country** - Winnie Romeril, EMT-P Mercy Flight & Mahlon Hurst, EMT-Potter Fire

- Explain the challenge that "Old Order" communities - the fastest growing population in the world- present for EMS
- Provide a brief history, definition and cultural overview of "Old Order" communities
- Discuss implications for EMS- safety at farm and buggy accidents, treating pain, genetic disorders, payment for services, ...
- Describe outreach ideas for medical professionals

**Snowvember 2014 – Natural Disaster Impact on the Health System** - Heidi Kirsch, RN – Mercy Ambulatory Care Center

- Discuss the role of remote hospitals and/or free standing emergency departments in an event in which services, supplies, and resources are limited for an extended period of time
- Understanding the importance of establishing a command center on site that is in direct communication with all involved community emergency management partners
- Discuss patient transportation challenges in weather events that involve road closures, causing delay in patient transportation to higher level of care facilities
- Management of emergency department patients that are discharged and remain on site for prolonged periods of time