

Trauma+EMS News

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From Your WMCHealth Colleagues in Trauma, Acute Care Surgery, and Emergency Services

Adult – Trauma

Kartik Prabhakaran, MD, Chief of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery, announced the annual **Roadside to Bedside Trauma Symposium** coming July 13 at SUNY Westchester! This year's expanded format will run from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. and feature renowned Trauma Surgeon, **Tom Scalea, MD** as this year's key note speaker.

If you have not yet registered [Click here](#) – seating is limited.

In conjunction with the Trauma Section, the Injury Prevention Program collaborated with Westchester Co. PD and held a **Spring Motorcycle & ATV Safety** event in May – promoting safety, awareness and education.



WMCHealth launched the **Trauma Survivor Network (TSN)** in May during National Trauma Awareness Month. TSN is a National organization supporting families and patients dealing with Trauma and the aftermath that can ensue. WMC hosted the launch event to officially kick off this important service and program to our patients and their families.

Kartik Prabhakaran, MD announced the following graduating Surgical Residents & Fellows: **James Choi, MD, Faisal Jehan, MD, Danny Lascano, MD. Fellows: Christina Sharon, MD, Gabriel Froula, DO, Rebecca Lahamm-Andraos, MD, David Ritz, DO, Siwen "Wendy" Liu, DO and Huan "Heidi" Wang, MD.** Congratulations to you ALL!

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Emergency Department – EMS

WMCHealth was honored to support **EMS Week** this past May. All campuses held special CME and EMS Week Events during the period, celebrating EMS providers in the region and the important work you do in our communities. This year's theme: *Where Emergency Care Begins.*



During EMS week WMCHealth and our other campuses also offered a full slate of CME at Valhalla, MHRH, HealthAlliance and Good Sam in Rockland!

Tina Cocuzza, MD announced the 2nd half of the EMS CME and Symposia Calendar for 2023. *"We had a strong first half of the year in EMS education in the region and we'll continue to roll out impactful EMS education throughout the remainder of 2023".*

Below is the Q3- CME & Symposia Schedule.

Valhalla Symposia	
July 13	Trauma Roadside to Bedside
August	NA
September 21	Pediatric Emergency Care Symposium
CME: Valhalla	
July 6	Call Audit WC-DES
August	NA
September 14	Call Audit WC-DES

**Q4 will be announced in the September bi-monthly newsletter*

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Pediatric – Trauma

Dylan Stewart, MD announced the annual **Pediatric Emergency Care Symposium** coming this Fall – September 21, 2023. Maria Fareri Children's Hospital (MFCH) is at the forefront of caring for sick and injured children and this year's three hour symposium will continue to focus on several key topics related to pediatric pre-hospital care. Stay tuned for more information.

Pediatric Injury Prevention; this year bicycle and helmet safety, car seat, ATV/Motorcycle safety and a Pediatric Fall's Safety Video to be released later this month.

The MFCH Injury Prevention Program participated in the June Girl Scout bicycle rodeo. The event provided bicycle helmet safety checks as well as safety education to the girls and their families. Over 15 helmets were fitted & adjusted and another 20 were donated to the Girl Scouts of America and Camp Smith by WMCHealth and MFCH for use and further distribution.

Summertime Safety Tips – For Kids

-  Remember never let children handle fireworks and keep a safe distance when viewing them – July 4th is around the corner!
-  Whenever near water and kids – Keep an eye out, ALWAYS! Drowning is usually silent and quick often very little splashing or kicking that occurs, and can happen in as little as one minute.
-  Before piling in the car for that Summer road trip, no matter the distance, make sure your car seat is properly installed. Children should remain rear-facing until at least two years old, or longer.