

Trauma+EMS *News*

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

Trauma – Adult

Kartik Prabhakaran, MD, Chief, Trauma and Acute Care Surgery, proudly announces the annual 2024 WMCHealth Trauma Symposium to be held on July 10, 2024 at SUNY Westchester in Valhalla.

Two renowned keynote speakers in the field of trauma care will be featured: **Colonel John B. Holcomb, MD**, an expert in combat and trauma casualty care, and **David H. Livingston, MD**, a pioneer and expert in trauma care and survivorship for patients and their families. Registration is a must – seating is limited. See link for additional information: <https://forms.office.com/r/kMx253cLYn>

Strengthening Trauma Recovery WMCHealth, a member of the national Trauma Survivors Network (TSN), will host a Survivors Day luncheon on May 15, in recognition of National Trauma Survivors Day. WMC's Trauma Program will host adult and pediatric survivors (and their families) admitted to WMC to enhance their social support and mental health. This event will provide survivor resources, raise awareness about trauma recovery and collaboration on the survivor's journey and initiating a peer-to-peer support group for trauma survivors.

The annual **Trauma Consortium Program Report (2023)** features several highlights from WMC's growing trauma program including key achievements, various program initiatives and important updates from the past year across the network. See link below for the full report. <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:va6c2:ff90c233-0f81-4fe2-b966-3147db4ddb18>

WMC ranked in top 10% in outcomes/quality based on the most recent report from the American College of Surgeons (ACS) Trauma Quality Improvement Program.

Pediatric – Trauma

Pediatric Emergency Care Education has been a staple in CME and EMS Symposia at Maria Fareri Children's Hospital (MFCH), targeting the EMS community over the past several years. If you work for an agency that has a pediatric emergency care coordinator on staff, you are likely to be better prepared to perform well in a true pediatric emergency. See link: <https://doi.org/10.1080/10903127.2021.1942340>

MFCH and Injury Prevention Did You Know?

Many accidents can be prevented through increased awareness and education. MFCH has been at the forefront of pediatric injury prevention. Below are just a few programs we've been championing in the region:

Pediatric Car Seat Safety at WMC. Another pediatric car seat event will be held this summer to promote child car seat safety and education. Date TBA.

Bike and Helmet Safety at WMC. On June 1 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. at BF Elementary School in Yorktown Heights. MFCH will be collaborating with the Lakeland Girl Scouts and Yorktown PD for this great day of safety!

MFCH and Water Safety Day on June 6 at the White Plains YMCA. Sessions will be held in conjunction with Stu Leonard Foundation–Stewie The Duck at this three-hour day of safety!

WMCHealth's Trauma and EMS Newsletter Editorial Review Board:

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Emergency Department – EMS

Tina Cocuzza, MD, has announced the May 2024 EMS Week events and CME Schedule Honoring and celebrating our EMS partners! See link for more information: <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:VA6C2:3d5ec6d2-8012-4e78-a1ce-a573572f6f42>

Good Samaritan Hospital

Good Samaritan Hospital, along with the WMCHealth Network, hosted their **2024 Trauma Symposium** on March 14, 2024. The event was held at the GSH Auditorium and featured expert presenters from the hospital in the field of trauma care.



HealthAlliance Hospital

HealthAlliance Hospital became a provisional **Level III Adult Trauma Center**, a designation that will allow the hospital to fully leverage the academic, clinical and telehealth capabilities of the Network to provide expert trauma care for all.

MidHudson Regional Hospital

MHRH Co-sponsored A **Pediatric Safety Day** along with WMC's Injury Prevention Team on April 6 at MHRH for the Dutchess Co. scout troops: CPR, STB, First Aid and other sessions were taught at this three-hour day of safety!

