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UConn Health JDH Awarded Mission: Lifeline Gold Plus for Excellence in STEMI Care

UConn John Dempsey Hospital has received the Mission: Lifeline® Gold Plus Receiving Quality Achievement Award for the treatment of patients who suffer severe heart attacks.

“We commend UConn John Dempsey Hospital for this achievement award, which reflects a significant institutional commitment to the highest quality of care for their heart attack patients,” said James G. Jollis, MD, Chair of the Mission: Lifeline Advisory Working Group.

“This award could not have been won without the contributions of our EMS partners,” said Richard Kamin, UConn EMS Medical Director. “Their dedication to improving their 12-lead ECG reading ability and calling in STEMI Alerts from the scene has improved the quality of life for many people in our community.”



EMS Mission: Lifeline Winners

Congratulations to our UConn JDH Fire Department paramedics as well as those paramedics from other area services whose outstanding STEMI care has been the key to ours. Keep up the strong work!
GOLD

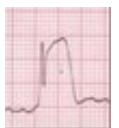


- American Medical Response – West Hartford
 - Bristol Hospital EMS
 - New Britain Emergency Medical Services
 - UConn John Dempsey Hospital Fire Department
- BRONZE**
- Campion Ambulance Service, Inc.
 - Middlesex Hospital Paramedics
 - Town of Canton Fire & EMS Department

June 7, 2017 -Northcentral Connecticut EMS STEMI Conference

The American Heart Association Mission: Lifeline STEMI project has partnered with the Connecticut Chapter of the American College of Cardiology to offer a free EMS educational conference/CME on STEMI and Emergency Cardiac Care. To be held **Wednesday June 7, 2017 at Grossman Auditorium at 400**

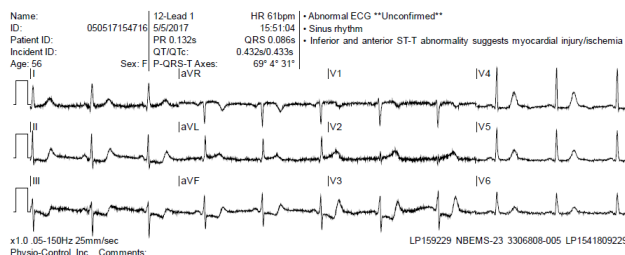
Farmington Avenue from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., this Northcentral Connecticut EMS STEMI Conference builds upon the Mission: Lifeline Program, which refines systems of care for the STEMI patient by engaging multiple entities (i.e., EMS, STEMI referring and receiving hospitals) within the same geographic region. An important aspect of this project is to examine how pre-hospital STEMI systems of care in the Greater Hartford region can be strengthened. The program will feature lectures from four cardiologists as well as case reviews from local PCI centers. Four (4) Hours of CME will be provided. REGISTER TODAY! Seating is limited. Register here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HMGFDKJ>



STEMI Honor Role

New Britain EMS

paramedics David Kemp and Robert Girard responded for a 56 year old female with substernal chest pain radiating into her left arm. They gave her aspirin and did a rapid 12-lead ECG



which showed slight elevation in Lead I and aVL with reciprocal change in II, III and aVF as well as V3, V4. They called in a **STEMI Alert** to **UConn John Dempsey Hospital** where Dr. Alberto Perez immediately activated the cardiac cath lab. Thanks to their 15 minute early notification, on arrival, the patient was rushed up to the lab where Dr. Michael Azrin and team found a 99% occlusion of the first diagonal artery, which they successfully cleared and stented. The patient did well post procedure under the excellent care of our medical staff, and has been discharged home with a normal ejection fraction and on a heart healthy regime. Great job all!

22 Minute Door-to-Balloon. 56 Minute First Medical Contact

More STEMI Kudos—Bristol EMS paramedic Loren Dailey and his partner Mathew Winters;
Campion Ambulance paramedic Jane Margerelli and New Hartford Ambulance EMTs Scott Stocking and David Stankiewicz;
Simsbury EMS paramedic Ashley Merritt and her partners Donna Anderson, Cori Jodice and Theo Mesologites;
Burlington Ambulance paramedic Mathew Barksdale and his partner Jacob Poppel.

Patient Handover

Most medical errors occur at patient handover. Be certain to do an in person, and preferably in the room, turnover of care to our nursing staff, who we have reminded to do their best to make themselves quickly available to you when you are bringing a patient in. A timely run form is also appreciated. If you must run out for another emergency call, please be sure and leave the run form as soon as possible. Faxing the run form is acceptable.



UConn EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION



**STEMI and Acute MI Care
(4 Hours)**
(AHA Mission: Lifeline
CT College of Cardiology)
June 7, 2017



**EMS Monthly CME
(3 Hours)**
Case Reviews
June 20, 2017

**The Opiate Overdose Epidemic: The EMS Response
(4 Hours)**
(CT Office of Emergency Medical Services)
September 20, 2017

**EMS Monthly CME
(3 Hours)**
October 18, 2017
November 15, 2017
December 20, 2017
8:30-11:30 A.M.

Cell and Genome Building
400 Farmington Avenue
Farmington, CT

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Any questions or suggestions about EMS? Looking for patient follow-up?



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