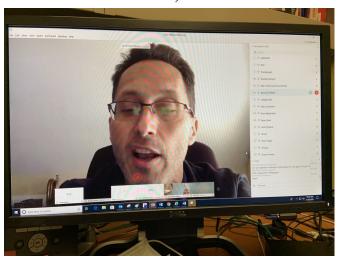


# Emergency Medical Services Partners



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Virtual CME-June 17, 2020



Please join us for our virtual UCONN JDH monthly CME on Wednesday June 17, 2020 from 8:30-11:30 A.M. Just login to the Webex link (see Page 2) from you home computer or the computer at your EMS base. We have been averaging between 70 and 100 attendees per CME. All attendees will, on request, receive a certificate good for 3 hours CME. Topics for this June include a lecture on Agitated Delirium by our administrative resident, Dr. William Robar, case reviews with Dr. Richard Kamin, as well as SWORD and COVID updates. No need to get a babysitter or leave your house. Surgical masks not required. You must supply your own coffee and doughnuts.







Mission: Lifeline

#### **Our Ideals**

"The brutal death of George Floyd ... is a watershed event that has forced us as a nation to confront the uncomfortable truth that some people still reject one of



our country's key founding principles: 'We hold this truth to be self-evident that all men are created equal.' Here at UConn Health and the University of Connecticut, I know we do believe deeply in that foundational principle. We are not perfect but we continually strive. It is why so many of you from all walks of life have expressed your outrage and your commitment to ensuring that in our microcosm of the country everyone no matter the color of his or her skin, or any other attribute, will be treated as an equal human being deserving of dignity, respect, and justice. I am proud to be a part of a community that upholds these ideals."

**Andrew Agwunobi, M.D., M.B.A.** Chief Executive Officer, UConn Health

# **COVID-19-Keep Your Guard Up**

While COVID hospitalizations have been going down steadily and the state has begun the reopening process, it is important to remember that COVID-19 is still among us.



We have had a number of instances lately where responders did not wear appropriate PPE when dealing with patients who later tested positive for COVID-19. Please continue to wear gloves and a surgical mask for all patient contacts as well as placing a surgical mask on your patient. We also recommend using eye protection. Here in the UConn ED, we have taken the added precaution of requiring all of our clinical staff to wear face shields to accompany their face mask when treating patients. For all patients receiving aerosol generating procedures EMS should at a minimum wear N95s, face shields/eye protection and gowns.

We are proud of the work you do for our communities. Please stay safe, watch out for yourself and others. Remember that this can be a more then typically stressful time. If anything is needed or there is a concern please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

### **June 17 EMS Virtual CME Information**

Meeting link:

https://uconn-cmr.webex.com/uconn-cmr/j.php? MTID=md387cf8a4b7338f5cef4a0371e284853

Meeting number: 120 888 7738

Password: aMPgAjkp925

Host key: 464968

More ways to join:

Join by video system

Dial 1208887738@uconn-cmr.webex.com

You can also dial 173.243.2.68 and enter your meeting number.

Join by phone: +1-415-655-0002 US Toll

Access code: 120 888 7738

## Plasma Donations from Recovered COVID-19 Patients



Blood Services

In coordination with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the Red Cross is seeking people who are fully recovered from the new coronavirus to sign up to donate plasma to help current COVID-19 patients. People who have fully recovered from COVID-19 have antibodies in their plasma that can attack the virus. This convalescent plasma is being evaluated as treatment for patients with serious or immediately life-threatening COVID-19 infections, or those judged by a healthcare provider to be at high risk of progression to severe or life-threatening disease.

Contact your local chapter of the American Red Cross for more information on how to donate.

#### **UConn Health JDH EMS Website**

For news, educational information, CME schedule and past copies of our newsletter *Partners*, check out our website at:

health.uconn.edu/ems

# UConn EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION 2020



June 17, 2020 September 16, 2020 October 21, 2020 November 18, 2020 December 16, 2020



8:30-11:30 A.M. (Wednesdays) All CMEs for the remainder of 2020 will be virtual CMES.

3 Hours CME ALL EMS RESPONDERS WELCOME

#### **UConn EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Agitated Delirium,
Physical and Chemical Restraint
Dr. William Robar



Case Reviews
Richard Kamin, M.D.
Peter Canning, Paramedic, R.N.

COVID-19/Corona Virus EMS Update

**SWORD One Year Update** Peter Canning, Paramedic, R.N.

(3 Hours CME)
For Questions:
email Peter Canning at canning@uchc.edu

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Online Virtual CME
June 17, 2020
3rd Wednesday!

#### CONTACT US:



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

Contact EMS Coordinator Peter Canning at <u>canning@uchc.edu</u> or call (860) 679-3485.