



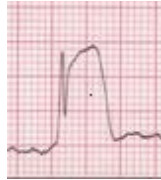
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GREAT EMS STEMI CARE

EMS providers from **American Medical Response, Canton EMS and Bristol EMS** brought in seven STEMIs in October to **UConn John Dempsey Hospital**. Door-to-Balloon (D2B) times ranged from a low of 21 minutes to a high of 47. First Medical Contact (FMC) to Balloon times ranged from 47 to 71 minutes. (The benchmark for both D2B and FMC is 90 minutes or less). All STEMIs were preactivated with a range of 8 to 26 minutes advance notification before patient arrival. All patients received ASA in the field. This is outstanding care that led to great outcomes for critically ill patients.



Kudos to:

- AMR-Corey Rymer and Richard Frampton (21/47).
- Canton-Corey Irzyk and Eli'el Doron (26/60).
- AMR-Nicole Schieferstein and John Williams (30/69).
- AMR-Jon Pourciau and Jennifer Northrop (41/69).
- AMR-Benjamin Kegler and Domingo Merced (43/64)
- Bristol-Tyler Barth and Scott Lamarre (36/71).
- AMR-Corey Rymer and Tara Wheeler (47/69).

STEMI CARE Tips

1. Do 12-Lead on Initial Patient contact.
2. Call **STEMI ALERTS** from the scene.
3. Always Ask for Medical Control.
4. Apply Defib pads as precaution.
5. Use NTG with extreme caution, if at all, in Inferior MI.
6. Limit scene time to 15 minutes or less, if possible.
7. Transport Rapidly, but Safely.

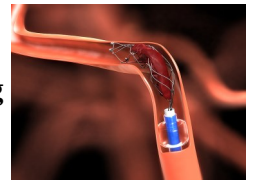


American Heart Association
ACCREDITATION
Meets standards for
Heart Attack Receiving Center

**Mission:
Lifeline®**

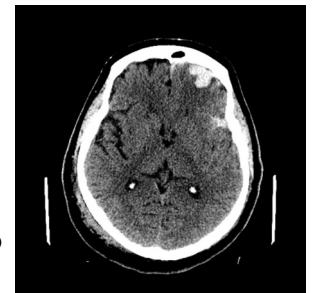
EMS Evening Stroke Symposium

On Wednesday night, December 4, 2019, **UConn John Dempsey Hospital** will host its annual **Evening EMS Stroke Symposium** from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. in the Lowe Learning Center in the main hospital building. Three hours CME will be provided. Topics will include *Stroke Survivor! The 24 Hour Stroke Window* and the *Future of EMS Stroke Care*. Most lectures will be given by MDs on our stroke team. All levels of EMS provider are welcome. Contact Peter Canning at canning@uchc.edu with any questions. Stay tuned for registration details. Dinner will be provided.



Head Injury Alert Stats

Since **UConn John Dempsey Hospital** instituted **Head Injury Alerts** this September there have been 21 EMS initiated alerts. Thanks to your efforts we are meeting or exceeding our door-to-CT scan benchmarks.



The criteria for the Head Injury Alert includes:

Fall from < 20 feet within the past 24 hours
*On anticoagulation or antiplatelet medication**
GCS of 14 – 15 and evidence of isolated head injury.

EMS should use the words **“Head Injury Alert”** in their CMED radio patch when bringing these patients to **UConn John Dempsey Hospital**.

* Activation is not required for aspirin.

CME LOCATION-195 Farmington Ave

Our monthly CMEs are now held in the third floor conference room at **195 Farmington Avenue**, Farmington, just minutes from the hospital. The CMEs run from 8:30-11:30 A.M. There is plenty of free parking and coffee and bagels will be provided. The class is good for 3 hours of CME. Meetings will be held the third Wednesday of the month for the rest of 2019. No RSVP is necessary. Contact Peter Canning at canning@uchc.edu with any questions.

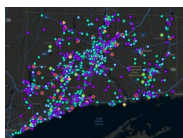


Annual Renewals-Paramedics

The 2020 JDH Annual Renewal form for paramedics who work under **UConn John Dempsey** medical control has been distributed. The deadline is December 31, 2019. Anyone who has not submitted their form by January 15, 2020 at midnight will have their medical authorization suspended. All renewals must be returned to Peter Canning at canning@uchc.edu electronically. Paramedics should also copy their training officer or service chief.

SWORD OVERDOSE SPIKES

On November 1, 2019, the SWORD program recorded its second highest day of suspected opioid overdoses since the program went statewide on June 1, 2019. Of the 24 reported overdoses, 14 were reported in the North Central region. Remember to report all suspected opioid overdoses to **CT Poison Control Center** at **1-800-222-1222**.



UConn EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION

November 20, 2019 8:30-11:30 A.M.

Diabetic Emergencies

Dr. Duyen Tran



Case Reviews

(Calming T-Rex, The 91 Year Old Adventure Seeker, The Refusal, and Many More!)

Richard Kamin, M.D.

Peter Canning, Paramedic, R.N.

New Location

Conference Room U3071AB

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3 Hours CME

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Low Learning Center

Main Building

Ground Floor

UConn John Dempsey Hospital

Dinner Provided



CONTACT US:

Any questions or suggestions about EMS?

Looking for patient follow-up?



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

UConn Health JDH EMS Website

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