



ERLANGER Trauma Services Newsletter

THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF TRAUMA CARE. PERIOD.



ERLANGER HEALTH SYSTEM'S 11th Annual Trauma Symposium

Another successful year for Erlanger Health System's Annual Trauma and Critical Care Symposium is in the books! The August 9th & 10th conference included dynamic lectures, case presentations, and skill stations for over 350 attendees.

The Cadaver and Skills Lab included exciting new stations discussing Active Shooter Situation Considerations with Dewey Woody from the Collegedale Police Department and High-Angle Rescue with the Chattanooga Fire Department.



Col. Todd Rasmussen,
MD, FACS

Keynote speaker, Col. Todd Rasmussen, MD, discussed Military Innovations Impact on Civilian Trauma Care. Former UTCOM Surgical Critical Care Fellows Amy N. Hildreth, MD, FACS and Jessica K. Reynolds, MD returned to present information on Reducing Opioid Use in the Injured Patient and Pre-Hospital Blood Product Transfusion respectfully.

Presentations from this year's event can be located at www.erlanger.org/traumasym.

12TH ANNUAL
**TRAUMA & CRITICAL
CARE SYMPOSIUM**

June 6th & 7th, 2019

Downtown Chattanooga, TN

SAVE THE DATE

2018
**ALLAN JACKSON
 SERVICE AWARD**
 RECIPIENT
Christal Hayes, RRT



Terry Ellis, RRT presents the Allan Jackson Service Award to Christal Hayes, RRT.

Each year an award is given to an Erlanger Trauma Professional to honor the memory of Allan Jackson, BSN, an exceptional provider, teacher, and leader in Emergency and Trauma Nursing who passed away from renal cancer in February 2009 at the age of 39.

The 2018 recipient, Christal Hayes, RRT exemplifies the strength and dedication to helping her community. Nominations by her coworkers were received, recognizing the impact Christal has on patients and staff in the Shock-Trauma Intensive Care Unit.

Dr. T. Koestner indicated, "Christal always goes above and beyond for her patients. She treats her patients and coworkers with respect and kindness. There is never a doubt, when she is on call, that her patients will be well taken care of." Another nomination reads, "I have also seen her take numerous young nurses and RRTs under her wing and used moments where mistakes could have been made as teaching moments for these new members of the Erlanger community."

After accepting the award on Christal's behalf at the Annual Trauma Symposium, Respiratory Director Terry Ellis, RRT shared, "Monday night at our Respiratory Care Department meeting I had the honor of being able to present her with her Allan Jackson Award. We are very proud of the work that Christal does, the teamwork she fosters, her love of teaching and the person that she is! She is another reason to be Erlanger Proud!"

Fellow Allan Jackson Service Award nominees this year included Adam S. Royer, MS, BSN, RN, NREMT, CNOR, TCRN, FACHE, Surgery Administration, and Kelly Lindberg, BSN, RN, Emergency Department.

**CHATTANOOGA
 HEROES RUN**

On Saturday July 14, 2018 Erlanger Health System held the 3rd Annual Heroes Run to honor the five servicemen who made the ultimate sacrifice when an active shooter attacked the Lee Highway military recruitment office and the Naval Operations Support Center on Amnicola Highway July 16, 2015. With over 1,000 registered participants, an estimated \$13,000 in proceeds was raised to be donated for the Fallen Five Memorial "Wreath of Honor" per the families' wishes.

The memorial will honor Gunnery Sgt. Thomas J. Sullivan, Staff Sgt. David A. Wyatt, Sgt. Carson A. Holmquist, Lance Cpl. Squire K. "Skip" Wells, all Marines, and Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Randall J. Smith with a gold toned wreath atop five pillars, one pillar for each serviceman. A nod to the military tradition of wreath laying, the public is encouraged to suggest phrases of tribute which may be cut into the metal bands of the wreath in recognition of the men's honor and sacrifice. To submit verbiage for the Wreath of Honor go to <https://publicartchattanooga.com/fallenfivememorial/>

**MEET OUR TEAM:
 Trauma Registrars**

Trauma Registrars are an important part of both the adult and pediatric trauma programs in the Erlanger Trauma Network. They include Heather Kelly (Pediatrics); Michelle McGraw; Aidren Pryor; Jennifer McDonald; Derrick Stephens, CNA; Sierra Hartshorn; Angie Scissom; and Sanela Queen, RHIT. Trauma Registrars receive special education and must attend the American Trauma Society Trauma Registry Course and complete the Abbreviated Injury Scale (AIS) Course through the Association for the Advancement of Automotive Medicine.

Trauma Registrars are responsible for accurately entering charted data elements regarding injuries and care provided to Erlanger trauma patients. This process is required at the state and national level to identify top mechanisms of injury, evaluate treatments, and quality of care. This data can be utilized for research and to improve outcomes. Erlanger Health System reports trauma registry data for Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia and Trauma Quality Improvement Program (TQIP).



Above from left to right: Jeane Thomas, Sandy Brown, Tammy Dorsey, Cynthia Childs, Nicolette Jaworski, Dr. Dave Bhattacharya, Stacia Oglesby, Krissa Guess, Mollie Triplett and Dr. Michael Carr.

Michael Carr Award

Stacia Oglesby, CST, Lead Tech, Children's at Erlanger Surgery, was the first recipient of the Dr. Michael Carr Award which was presented at the 2018 Erlanger Trauma Symposium. Stacia was nominated by co-workers as a trauma care professional that has provided the same focused care and compassion for the pediatric trauma patient as Dr. Michael Carr has demonstrated over the years.

Her co-workers' nomination essays included that Stacia "is the backbone of Children's Surgery and that she anticipates any situation we could possibly have. She has made sure the surgical suite and surgical techs are prepared for any trauma that comes through our doors."

Fellow nominees included: Brynn Byers, Pediatric Surgery, Nurse Practitioner and David Carter, Paramedic, Children's Emergency Room. Pediatric Trauma Services is truly honored to work with these amazing employees.

**Children's Hospital
 at Erlanger ...**

*The Best Comprehensive
 Pediatric Care in the Region*

*Providing Care for Critically Ill
 and Injured Children 24/7*



S. Dave Bhattacharya, MD



Joseph "Pete" Kelley, MD, FACS, FAAP



Curt S. Koontz, MD, FACS



Lisa A. Smith, MD, FACS

Our University Surgical Associates Pediatric Surgeons specialize in trauma surgery from birth and manage trauma care for children throughout the region.

**FIREARM
 SAFETY**



According to the CDC, firearm injuries cause 35,000 deaths in the US each year. Know what you can do to decrease the risk of injury from a gunshot wound.

Firearm Safety Tips

- All guns should be locked and secured when not in use.
- Use cable locks that go through the action piece of the firearm and secure key in a different safe location.
- Store unloaded, locked weapons in safe, gun vault, or locked gun cabinet. Keep key(s) away from children.
- Store ammunition in a locked location separate from firearms.
- Consider taking a gun safety course www.handgunsafetycourse.com.

**Eddie Eagle®
 Gun Safety
 for Kids**

If you see a gun:

- STOP
- Don't Touch
- Run Away

Four Rules of Firearm Safety for Adults

- All guns are always loaded. (Use only correct ammunition.)
- Never point the gun at anything you are not willing to destroy.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on target (and you have made the decision to shoot).
- Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.

Trauma Course Dates for 2019



ATLS 2019 Courses

2 Day Student Courses

March 21 - 22
June 20 - 21
August 15 - 16
October 17 - 18

COST: \$875

1 Day Refresher Courses

June 21
August 16
October 18

COST: \$550

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER CONTACT:

Regena J. Young via email at regena.young@erlangers.org
or by phone **423-778-5620**

ATCN 2019 Courses

2 Day Student Courses

March 21 - 22
June 20 - 21
August 15 - 16
October 17 - 18

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER CONTACT:

Jana Poulson via email at jana.poulson@erlangers.org
or Renee Mills via email at tabitha.mills@erlangers.org
or by phone **423-778-6742**.

TNCC 2019 Courses

2 Day Student Courses

March 12 - 13
May 14 - 15
August 20 - 21
November 12 - 13

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER CONTACT:

Contact Mollie Triplett via email at margaret.triplett@erlangers.org
or by phone **423-778-8396**.

Rural Trauma Team Development Courses can be requested by contacting Katie Johnston at 423-778-6742 or katherine.johnston@erlangers.org.

Adult Trauma & Critical Care Surgeons

The six University Surgical Associates Trauma Surgeons are all board certified in general surgery and surgical critical care. Available 24-hours a day, seven days a week, in-house at Erlanger Medical Center, the region's only Level 1 Trauma Center, they attend the needs of traumatically injured patients from throughout the Chattanooga area Trauma Region.

ERLANGER TRAUMA

To transfer a trauma patient to Erlanger Hospital, call the TRANSFER CENTER at **423-778-8100**.

You will be connected with the trauma surgeon to report on your patient. Transfers can be accomplished with a single call!



Donald E. Barker, MD, FACS



Benjamin W. Dart IV, MD, FACS



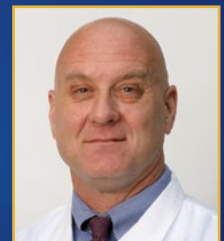
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