Symposium Objectives

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant will be able to:

• Define strategies to help save lives through basic actions to stop life-threatening bleeding following everyday emergencies or disaster events
• Discuss complex liver injuries and potential complications using a case study approach
• Identify opportunities for improvement in the care of trauma patients through case study examples demonstrating inaccuracies, near misses, and patient safety concerns
• Listen to and learn from two trauma survivors’ stories about life after traumatic brain injury and the road to recovery
• Identify key assessment findings and management strategies in the care of the severely injured child
• Describe trauma patient care management strategies in a non-trauma emergency department
• Identify sources of conflict/miscues in patient and family communication
• Discuss use of the NURSE mnemonic to enhance connection

Suggested attendees include physicians, nurses, pre-hospital personnel, social workers, rehabilitation specialists, and others.

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For abstract submission guidelines, please email Kathleen Schenkel, MSN, RN, CPEN, at kathleen.schenkel@chp.edu.

Submission deadline: August 22, 2016