LAW ENFORCEMENT HEMORRHAGE CONTROL & TOURNIQUET TRAINING

An Injury Prevention Program from UMC's Level 1 Trauma Center

Following the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, CT, the American College of Surgeons convened a committee of leaders from law enforcement, the military, fire/rescue and medicine to review these active-shooter events and develop policies which would decrease the number of fatalities in mass casualty shootings. Upon review, it was evident that the long-standing practices of law enforcement, EMS and fire rescuers would need to be enhanced to increase survivability, as existing methods are effective but underutilized. The committee's recommendations are called the Hartford Consensus.

Hemorrhage is the number one cause of preventable death in penetrating trauma. Early hemorrhage control is necessary to increase the survivability of any victim, including law enforcement whose priority is to stop or isolate the event. After completing tourniquet trainings, several first responders have saved lives through tourniquet application following a motor vehicle crash, underscoring the necessity of tourniquet training for law enforcement and the general public, much like CPR is for cardiac arrest.

Just as the Tactical Combat Casualty Care program has reduced deaths in penetrating trauma, it is the goal of the **Level 1 Trauma Center at University Medical Center New Orleans** to provide similar instruction to be included as part of the law enforcement response. The course supports best practices, is simple, ready to use, proven and inexpensive.

During a 2-hour instruction period, participants will:

- Receive education on the need for immediate hemorrhage control
- Understand the T-H-R-E-A-T concept
- Review the signs of shock
- Understand hemorrhage control
- Recognize the need for and gain confidence with the application of a tourniquet
- Participate in repeat demonstrations of tourniquet application
- Review wound packing
- Review storage of tourniquet
- Review potential exposure issues

Together, we can apply the Hartford Consensus to Louisiana and be prepared for a better outcome. For more information, please contact: Bridget Gardner RN, Trauma Department at the UMC New Orleans Level 1 Trauma Center, (504) 702-2296.

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