Conference Learnings

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Trauma 2013 A Continuum of Care
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Conference Topics

- Caring for the Caregiver: A Hospital Leaders Role in Recovering from Mass Casualty
- Drug Overdose and Effects on the Central Nervous System
- Traumatic Lung Injuries: A view from the Inside
- EMS Tactile Forces: Why Are They Needed Today?
Learning to Consider for LVHN

- Bronchoscopy utilized more in critical care:
  - Patient’s with VAP (in adjunct to IV antibiotics).
  - Patient’s with frequent mucous plugs (in adjunct with aggressive pulmonary toileting).
  - Patient’s with frequent cuff leaks that are unexplained.

- Patient’s being Intubated fewer days:
  - Wake up and breathe trials; turning sedation off once a day for a short time/few hours (if medically stable).
  - If spine is cleared and medically stable, be proactive with getting patient’s OOB to chair utilizing chair lift, even if its for a short period of time.
Group Discussion

ACTION ITEMS

Where the rubber meets the road