

Tactical First Aid

Self Registration



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Class Overview

- Active Shooter Case Studies
- Priority of Actions
 - Fight vs. Medical (SIM)
- Rapid Trauma Assessment, MARCH
- Injuries & Interventions
- Basic Medical Equipment
- Skills Lab



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Lakewood Church, Houston, TX. February 11, 2024

Case Study- Be prepared to provide constructive feedback



One Death (Perpetrator) Two Injured (Including Perpetrator's Son)

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Covenant Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN. March 27, 2023

Case Study- Be prepared to provide constructive feedback



Seven Deaths (Including Perpetrator), Two Injured

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Are You Ready?



December 29, 2019 - West Freeway Church of Christ, White Settlement, Texas

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Have a Plan & Be Prepared

- Don't be caught in Condition BLACK!
- Tactical Skills are perishable
- Practice your skills
- Mental tactics / What if.....
- Be ready if you are called to act!!



If you fail to plan,
then you plan to fail.

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Incident Zones & Priority of Actions

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Incident Zones & Priority of Actions

Hot Zone

- Stop the Killing

Warm Zone – SIM Assessment

- Stop the Dying - CCPs/Medical Care

Cold Zone

- Rapid Evacuation to Definitive Care
- Assist LE as Needed

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Priority of Actions Hot Zone

- **STOP THE THREAT – Driving Forces!**
- Let your tactical situation dictate your tactical plan
 - Press vs. Withdraw
- If you or someone else is injured:
 - Do not lie down and give up
 - Stay in the fight
 - **DO NOT CONSIDER MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS**



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Priority of Actions Warm Zone (SIM)

- Security
 - Ensure safe area (cover vs. concealment)
 - Establish lethal cover if you have help
 - Report location and injuries
- Immediate Action Plan
 - What is our plan if the threat re-emerges?
- Medical
 - Medical assessment/treatments



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Priority of Actions Cold Zone

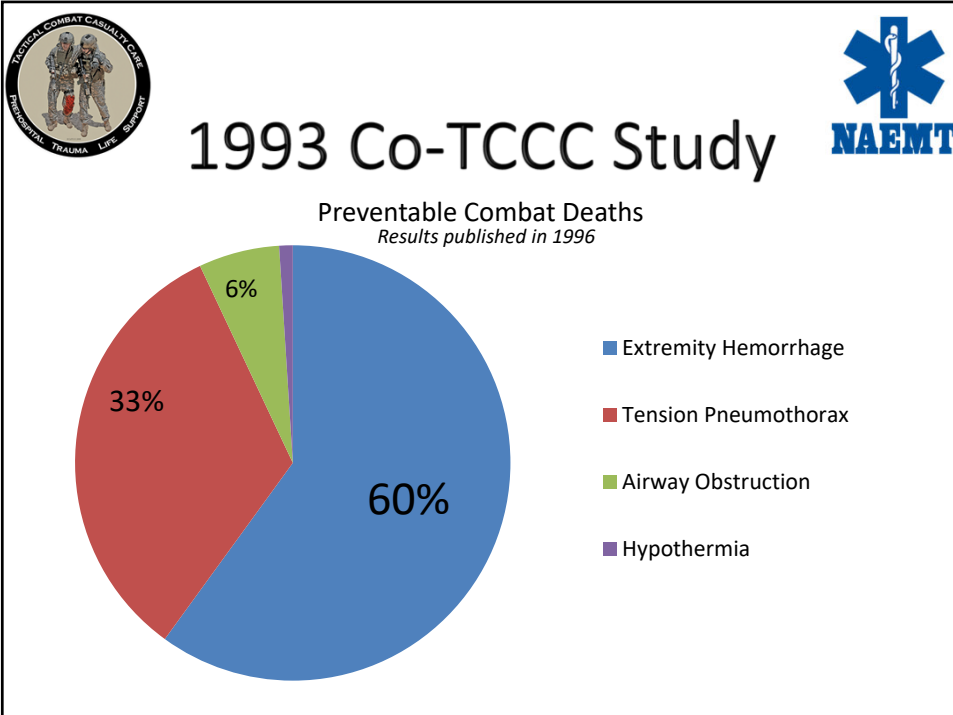
- Re-assessment of Warm Zone medical interventions
- Continued medical treatment and supportive care
- Casualty Evacuation (CASEVAC)



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MARCH Assessment & TCCC Interventions

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MARCH Trauma Assessment

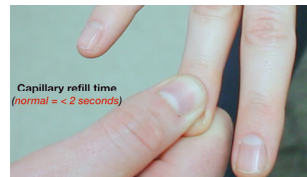
- Follows TCCC guidelines
- Rapid
- Systematic
- Head-to-toe trauma assessment
- Assessment of exclusion
- Designed for:
 - The battlefield
 - Other hostile environments
 - To treat what will kill you first!!



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MARCH Algorithm

- M
 - Major Hemorrhage
 - Tourniquets or wound packing
- A
 - Airway
 - Open – Clear – Maintain – Supplement
- R
 - Respirations
 - Chest seals
- C
 - Circulation
 - Re-assessment of hemorrhage
- H
 - Hypothermia
 - Maintain body heat



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How Fast Can We Bleed Out?

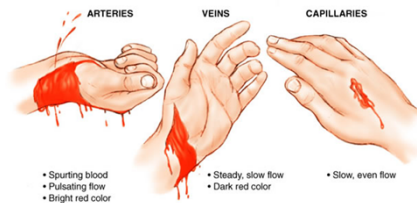
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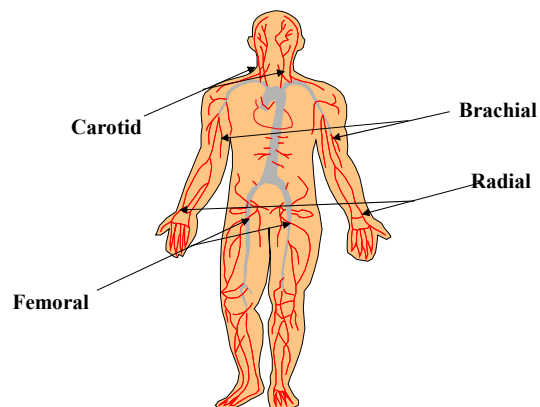
Life-Threatening Hemorrhage

- Wet – Red – A-lot
 - Dripping
 - After applying pressure
 - Soaking
 - Through clothing
 - Pooling
 - On ground



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Pressure First, Then Make It Better



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Tourniquets

- A tourniquet should be used to control a major extremity hemorrhage
- No need to remove most clothing
- Do not place over bulky items in pockets
- Combat-grade tourniquet is best (CAT Gen 7)
- Hasty tourniquets should be 1 in wide upon compression
- Place “High or Die” on the arm or leg
- Can be left in place 6 to 8 hours
- Do not remove a tourniquet once applied
- Never place a tourniquet around the neck



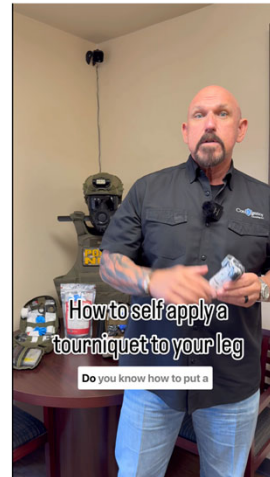
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TQ Buddy
Demo
Adult Arm
& Leg



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TQ Self Application Demo



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TQ Demo/Child



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Operational TQ Applications

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Las Vegas, Nevada, 2017



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Tourniquet application



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Junctional Hemorrhage Wound Packing



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Airway

*Is this a good, or
bad airway?*



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Airway

- OPEN



- CLEAR



- MAINTAIN



- SUPPLEMENT



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Respirations

- Assess the “muscle shirt area” of a casualty, searching for any holes (penetrating trauma). Search the chest, back, sides, and armpit areas.
- Bullet holes can be very small and difficult to locate, especially in the armpit area. Look for entrance and exit wounds.

“Skin on Skin Assessment”



VS.



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Respirations

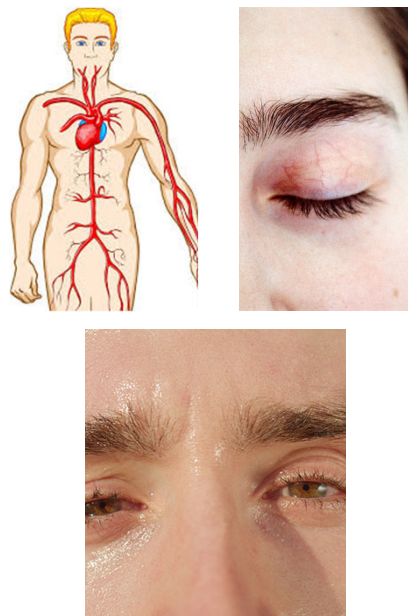
- Danger comes from air entering the pleural space through the wound and creating a "Tension Pneumothorax."
- Left untreated, this accumulation of air within the chest will create an increase of pressure which can prevent the heart and lungs from functioning normally.
- The prevention/treatment of this wound is accomplished by applying an air-tight seal over the entry/exit wounds and subsequent needle/chest tube decompression by a trained medical professional.



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Circulation

- Reassess massive bleed interventions
- Assess shock progression
 - Do they look sick?
 - Level of consciousness ?
- Check for additional bleeds



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Hypothermia & Head

- Hypothermia is defined as a low body temperature
- Normal temp is 98.6°
- Body temperature below 91° causes the body to go into shock
- Hypothermia won't allow blood to clot
- Prevention is the best remedy
- Keep the victim warm, even in warm environments
- Check the head for any signs of trauma



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Practice Check List

- SIM
 - Security – Immediate Action Plan – Medical
- MARCH Assessment
- Major hemorrhage control
 - TQs & hemostatic gauze
- Airway management
 - Mechanical manipulation (Open – Clear – Maintain – Supplement)
- Respirations = penetrating chest trauma
 - Chest seals
- Circulation = Reassessment of bleeding
 - Pulse or cap-refill assessment for shock
- Hypothermia prevention
 - Keep patient warm
- Recovery position (if unconscious)
- SIM



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Three Types of Outcomes

- Will Live
 - No matter what you do
- Will Die
 - No matter what you do
- Live or Die
 - Depending on what you do!



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