



**WHATCOM COUNTY  
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL**

P.O. Box 5125 • Bellingham, Washington 98227

# 32nd Annual Conference on Pre-Hospital Medicine

## October 4-5, 2013

The Events Center at the Silver Reef  
4876 Haxton Way, Ferndale, WA

(I-5 Exit 260, 4 min. west)

**Friday, October 4, 2013**  
**Dr. Gordon Graham**

**Times**

**7:30-8:00**

**8:00-10:00**

**10:15-12:15**

**12:15-1:15**

**1:15-3:15**

**3:30-5:30**

**Session will be in the Theater**

**Registration**

**Civil Liability for Public or Private Safety Organizations**

This is a legal/risk management approach to the elimination of civil liability through pre-incident planning and post incident documentation. It also contains a section on recognizing incidents that regularly end up in litigation and what management and supervision needs to do before our lawyers get the case. Attendees will receive a copy of GRECL, Graham's Rules for the Elimination of Civil Liability.

**Tactical Report Writing for Public Safety Personnel**

Tactical Report Writing focuses on the common errors and omissions public safety personnel make in incident documentation. These mistakes are not only embarrassing, but also can be very costly in terms of civil liability. The attendee will receive a copy of GRIID, Graham's Rules for the Improvement of Incident Documentation.

**Lunch (included in registration fee)**

**Effective Courtroom Testimony**

A block of instruction designed to give either the veteran or novice additional information on how to improve performance in this critical task. Attendee will receive a copy of GRECT, Graham's Rules for the Enhancement of Courtroom Testimony.

**The Top Ten Things that Get FF/Cops in Trouble**

The title speaks for itself. This program will identify the top ten things that get your department personnel in trouble.

# *Emergency*



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## Main Conference

### Saturday, October 5, 2013

TIMES	TOPIC ~ PRESENTER
<b>7:30-8:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
Attendees will register for one class per time slot	
<b>8:00-10:00</b>	<b>Medical Response to Rapid Mass Shooting</b> ~ Reiser <b>Resuscitation from Trauma</b> ~ Zaveruha <b>Mock Trial</b> ~ Lee <b>Moulage/Realistic Injury Creation</b> *limit 30 ~ Hart <b>Elevator Rescue</b> *Limit 20 ~ Thompson
<b>10:15-12:15</b>	<b>Integrated Criminal Mass Casualty</b> ~ Allen & Gurske <b>Aurora, CO: Century 16 Theater Mass Casualty Incident, 7/20/12</b> ~ Garcia <b>Air Support Resources</b> ~ Nelson <b>Self Defense for 1st Responders</b> *limit 30 ~ Almer
<b>12:15-1:15</b>	<b>Lunch</b> (included in registration)
<b>1:15-3:15</b>	<b>Medical Response to Rapid Mass Shooting</b> ~ Reiser <b>"Dead...or Alive"</b> ~ Zaveruha <b>Air Support Resources</b> ~ Nelson <b>Moulage/Realistic Injury Creation</b> *limit 30 ~ Akemi <b>Elevator Rescue</b> *limit 20 ~ Thompson
<b>3:30-5:30</b>	<b>Integrated Criminal Mass Casualty</b> ~ Allen & Gurske <b>Aurora, CO: Century 16 Theater Mass Casualty Incident, 7/20/12</b> ~ Garcia <b>Mock Trial</b> ~ Lee <b>Self Defense for 1st responders</b> * limit 30 ~ Almer
<b>10:00-3:30</b>	<b>Vendors Fair</b>

## Course Descriptions

All classes are offered twice unless otherwise noted

### Air Support Resources

Airlift Northwest will provide instruction on their operations including Patient Packaging, Communications, Landing Zone Set Up and Safety. Homeland Security Office of Air and Marine will explain and demonstrate their capabilities, communications, safety, and how they would integrate into a multi-discipline event. Both agencies are planning to have the helicopters on site, weather permitting.

### Aurora, CO: Century 16 Theater Mass Casualty Incident, 7/20/12

In the early morning hours of July 20, 2012, the Aurora Fire Department responded to the largest and most challenging Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) in their history. A lone gunman entered a midnight premier showing of "The Dark Knight Rises" and without any warning or regard for human life, opened gun fire in Theater 9. There were over 1,400 movie tickets sold and the unsuspected movie patrons were mostly young adults and teens. Moving from the MCI the scene turned to the assailant's explosive laden booby trapped apartment. This session will review the heroic response of the first arriving units: Incident Command, mutual aid, and the 40K foot view from the Fire Chief. Note: This is an ongoing criminal case.

### "Dead... or Alive"

Session will discuss the apparent deaths in prehospital settings where the patients are not deceased. **Class is only offered once.**

### Elevator Rescue

This class will cover two areas of operation that are closely related in emergency use: Fire fighter control systems (recalling and taking control of elevator cars) and rescue operations. You will learn how to gain access to the hoist way, manually open car doors and stabilize it for victim extrication, system controls, power lock out, escape hatch use, safety hazards and will do it all from an actual elevator, no power points here. Although no victims will actually be removed, it's a hands on experience, no PPE required. **Limited to 20 participants per session** due to space and security considerations

## Integrated Criminal Mass Casualty Incident Response

Active shooter and terrorist events are an ever-present threat. Criminal Mass Casualty incidents typically quickly overwhelm resources, cause confusion between responding agencies, and provide uncertainty regarding fire/EMS safety. It is imperative that first responders overcome these obstacles when victim survivability time is of the essence. This course provides a realistic and simplified approach to integrating the police, fire, and EMS response to criminal mass casualty incidents involving law enforcement and the training required to be successful.

## Medical Response to Rapid Mass Shooting

The session will include a review of police and fire dispatch of shooting events. Instructors will bring up some key points for planning the medical response to these types of events.

## Mock Trial

This session will focus on the practical effects of report writing, both good and bad. Two experienced trial attorneys will do a direct and cross-examination of a responder to show what can happen when a first responder tries to rely on a badly written report which they may be relying on years later in a trial courtroom to jog his or her memory of the events of a particular call. Through a direct examination and a cross-exam, a truer showing of the need for accurate documentation will be displayed. Actual written reports will be used whenever possible.

## Moulage/Realistic Injury Creation Class

Great benefit is gained through practice that incorporates "victims" that are true to life when training to respond to disasters and emergencies. Having "injury artists" who can help prepare "victims" greatly increases the effectiveness of training. No special expertise is needed to take this class. **Limited to 30 participants.**

## Resuscitation from Trauma

Session will discuss the particulars of ATLS traumatic cardiac arrest vs ACLS. **Class is only offered once.**

## Self Defense for EMS Providers

This class will help attendees become more aware of body language cues that indicate disagreement and/or danger. Attendees will also learn information that can help their reaction time and decision-making abilities as to what a subject is telling them through non-verbal indicators. Attendees will also be given instruction in some personal defensive tactics that can be utilized to assist with keeping themselves safer. **Limited to 30 participants.**

## 2013 Conference Faculty

### Sgt. Craig Allen

Police Sergeant  
Hillsboro Police Department  
Hillsboro, OR

### Sgt. Don Almer

Police Sergeant  
Bellingham Police Department  
Bellingham, WA

### Ray Michael Garcia

Fire Chief  
Aurora Fire Dept  
Aurora, CO

### Gordon Graham

Graham Research Consultants  
Long Beach, CA

### Lt. Jeff Gurske

Fire Engineer  
Hillsboro Fire Department  
Hillsboro, OR

### Akemi Hart

Freelance Makeup Artist  
Seattle, WA

### Kathryn Lee, BA, JD, MPAA

Attorney  
Bellingham, WA

### Brenda Nelson RN CEN

Chief Flight Nurse  
Airlift Northwest  
Seattle, WA

### Frank Reiser, MD

Action Emergency Medical Services, PLLC  
Moscow, ID

### Lt. Justin Thompson

Marietta Fire Dept,  
Bellingham, WA

### Paul A. Zaveruha, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.S.

Fellow, American College of Surgeons  
Island County MPD  
Coupeville, WA



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# 32nd Annual Conference on Prehospital Medicine Registration

## Registrant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Status:  Career/Paid  Non-career/Volunteer

Current Level of Medical Training:  EMR  EMT  AEMT  Paramedic  RN  Law Enforcement  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration

Friday and Saturday \*please register for Saturday classes below . . . . . \$190 \_\_\_\_\_

Friday only . . . . . \$110 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday only – please register for one class per time slot . . . . . \$110 \_\_\_\_\_

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Late fee (if received after Sept 20th) . . . . . \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Due . . . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_



MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Whatcom County EMS/TC Council \*credit cards not accepted

## Agency/Billing Information (if applicable)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Attn: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PO Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel Conference Rate (not guaranteed after September 20th) Silver Reef Hotel (conference site) \$109. Hotel Phone: 360-383-0777.

Mail completed form and payment to: WCEMS/TCC, P.O. Box 5125, Bellingham, WA 98227  
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