

# The Fifth Annual WINTER SYMPOSIUM January 6, 2018

Local and nationally known EMS professionals join us in Cobleskill to offer a unique continuing education opportunity. Attendees will select from topics relevant in EMS today. Content is open to <u>all</u> levels of providers.

# **SCHEDULE**

Registration opens and hot breakfast is served	SUNY Cobleskill
	CHAMPLIN HALL
KEYNOTE— General Session (2.0 hrs.)	
The Joy of EMS	Steve Berry
Breakout Session: Choose one at sign-in (1.5 hrs.)	
Aging Gracefully in EMS  OR	Steve Berry
Urban Myths in EMS Care	Howard Huth &
	Dan Murdock
Hot lunch served	
General Session (1.5 hrs.)	S. Bonderoff, S. Brucato,
Panel Discussion	A. Johnson, S. Bowman,
Topics selected by attendees prior to the symposium.	D. Funk-Valois
Breakout Session: Choose one at sign-in (1.5 hrs.)	
The State of EMS Education  OR	Andy Johnson
Sepsis: The New Name for Wicked Sick	Deb Funk-Valois
Afternoon break with snacks and beverages	
General Session (1.5 hrs.) WOW! I Didn't See That Coming!	Eric Hanchett
Closing remarks and certificate distribution	
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#### **REGISTER BY DECEMBER 29, 2017**

# PRESENTATIONS

#### The Joy of EMS (Steve Berry)

EMS has its ups and downs! People attracted to EMS stay because of the joy we find in doing our work every day. Staying for the long haul means we must find a positive attitude and bring joy to our work. In this light-hearted look at our occupation, Steve will remind us to keep it light, have fun and remember some of the simple joys we find in community service.

#### **Aging Gracefully in EMS** (Steve Berry)

A humorous journey through life's ups and downs as we grow older in EMS. Not only is the medical field changing rapidly, but so is our ability to keep meeting the physical and mental demands it places on us. Explore techniques one can use to stay healthy in this often unforgiving profession of pre-hospital care and gain a deeper appreciation for the needs of our aging population.

#### **Urban Myths in EMS Care** (Howard Huth & Dan Murdock)

You can't teach an EMT that! You can't give that patient nitro! You have to do this. You can't ever do that. We've heard it all over our careers and so have you! Join in the conversation as we explore the actual science behind some urban myths in our profession and come to draw your own conclusions. Maybe medicine has more gray than black and white, after all!

Panel Discussion (Scott Bonderoff, Scott Bowman, Steve Brucato, Deb Funk-Valois, Andy Johnson) We are excited to have assembled emergency healthcare experts with backgrounds in: volunteer, career & combination EMS; rural, urban and suburban EMS; EMS agency administration; NYS Bureau of EMS regulations; EMS education; EMS medical direction; emergency department care and administration; and hospital administration. A link will be sent to your email account after you register. You may submit questions to the moderator before the symposium and add your spark to the discussion!

#### The State of EMS Education (Andy Johnson)

Where are we, where are we going and why? How will eliminating new EMT CCs effect the system? What about funding? Are current trends leading us to a good place? What's in it for me?? All great questions. Not all easy answers. We will discuss recent changes in NYS and national EMS education and explore trends. Are you prepared to move forward in the changing world of EMS education?

#### Sepsis: The New Name for Wicked Sick (Deb Funk-Valois)

In this case-based lecture, we will define the term sepsis and discuss what is actually happening in the body of a patient. We will review the history of management of septic patients over the past decade and focus on current strategies, specific to the prehospital, ED and inter-facility settings.

#### WOW! I Didn't See THAT Coming (Eric Hanchett)

What are the consequences when we misdiagnose a patient? Or when stress and emotion interfere with our ability to look beyond the obvious? How do we stop paying lip service to problems that plague EMS and show the courage and leadership to create a healthier, happier service? Tie these questions together in an exploration of a fateful call experienced by the presenter.

## **REGISTER BY DECEMBER 27, 2018**

Register on-line at:

www.cobleskill.edu/wintersymposium

Check, VISA & MasterCard accepted

For registration info contact us at 518-255-5367 (5EMS)

\$70.00 registration fee includes five workshops, breakfast, hot lunch & snack.

Registration & breakfast 7:00 - 8:00 am. Conference 8:00 am in Champlin Hall



Requires all-day attendance. Certificate issued after the symposium.



Rodeway Inn & Suites in Cobleskill is offering an event discount.

Ask for the "SUNY Cobleskill" rate.

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### FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER: STEVE BERRY

BA, NREMT-P Former teacher and interpreter for the hearing impaired, Steve has published 11 EMS related cartoon books since his escapades as a paramedic/EMS instructor began over 33 years ago. Steve has written over 140 monthly humor columns for Jems magazine along with cartoon illustrations for Jems and EMS World Magazine. A paramedic for Southwest Teller County EMS in Colorado, Steve seeks world peace along with frequent flyer mileage.



