Dane County EMS Newsletter

April, 2024



Telecommunicator Week - April 14th-20th

Each year the second week in April is known as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week and is a chance for our public safety telecommunicators to be recognized for the lifesaving work they provide. This year was the 30th anniversary of President Clinton signing Proclamation 6667, officially establishing National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. The week was initially started in 1981 by Patricia Anderson of the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office in California before being officially recognized in 1994.

The Dane County Department of Public Safety Communications provides 9-1-1 emergency call-taking services throughout Dane County and are responsible for dispatching emergency units and centralized communications to the County Sheriff's Department, as well as 21 local law enforcement facilities, 26 fire departments, and 21 EMS agencies. Thank you to our telecommunicators for all the sacrifices they make to create a better and safer world for the public! Their commitment to their profession is appreciated by health care, EMS, Fire, and Law Enforcement partners and the citizens they serve! While this week has passed, it is never the wrong time to show appreciation for our telecommunicators.

Upcoming Events and Training

5/2, 6pm SSM Health: Updates in Cardiac Arrest Management

Register to attend <u>here</u>

5/15, 6pm UW Health: Psych Emergencies *Register to attend at uwhealth.org/een*

5/19-5/25 - EMS Week 2024

See attached for more information on what is being done throughout EMS Week!

6/1 - Dane County 2024 Cardiac Arrest Survivor Celebration

Friendly reminder from your local ER pharmacy team: Please remember to grab the patient's MAR from the SNIF or SBRF and bring it to the Emergency Department.

It is immensely helpful for the ER pharmacy team and saves time for them by eliminating the need to call facilities to try and track down patient records. Thank you!

April Viz Quiz

You respond to the community park for blunt trauma to the face. The patient states he was "accidentally" elbowed in the face when he was going for a dunk to show his friends his "really amazing hops" that he's had since his high school varsity season 15 years ago.

During transport the patient notes that he is having some double vision. Patient did not lose consciousness and is not on blood thinners. Is not having a headache or having other neurologic symptoms. On exam, you notice that when he attempts to look up, the left eye does not move upwards (see image). Pupils are PERRL. The start of a black eye is forming and patient is tender to palpation around the orbit with no facial instability noted. No other injuries are noted on the body.

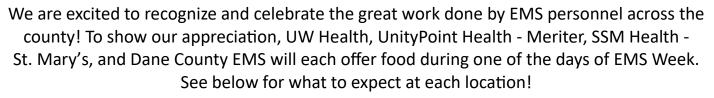
What injury does this patient likely have?



Submit your answers at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G7V98C7 for the chance to win a prize!

Dane County EMS WEEK

May 19th - May 25th





Monday - 20 th	Tuesday - 21 st	Wednesday - 22 nd	Thursday - 23 rd	Friday - 24 th
SSM Health St. Mary's - BBQ	UW Health - University Hospital - Subs	UW East Madison Hospital - Subs	Meriter - Taco Truck	DCEM Office - Coffee and Donuts 7-11am

Food at the hospitals will be available at the ED's. DCEMS will have coffee and donuts at 2982 Kapec Rd. Fitchburg in front of the bays.

T-shirts will also be available at all locations - get them before supplies run out!

On behalf of the Dane County Hospitals, Dane County EMS, and the Dane County Community:





THANK YOU!



