



NORTN ANNUAL TRAUMA CONFERENCE

The Northeastern Ohio Regional Trauma Network (NORTN) sponsors an annual Trauma Conference with more than 100 trauma medical directors, trauma program managers, trauma data managers, nurses, EMS, paramedics and firefighters in attendance. A keynote speaker is secured for each conference, as well as local healthcare professionals, to lecture on a variety of topics.



NORTN hosted its first Regional Trauma Conference in 2006.

"The wide range of attendees receive a wealth of knowledge by attending the conference. The variety of topics offer something for everyone interested in the care of the trauma patient."
Debbie Lichtenwalter, Affinity Medical Center

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NORTN is a program of:



AKRON REGIONAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

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- DATA
- RESEARCH
- INJURY PREVENTION
- EDUCATION



NORTN member hospitals

Akron Children's Hospital
Aultman Health Foundation
Cleveland Clinic Akron General
Cleveland Clinic Akron General Lodi Hospital
Mercy Medical Center
Summa Akron City Hospital
Summa Barberton Hospital

NORTN MEMBERSHIP

The NORTN committee includes
Emergency Department Physicians,
Supervisors, Trauma Medical
Directors, Data Managers, Nurses
and Trauma Program Managers
from ARHA NORTN member
hospitals.



MISSION AND PURPOSE

MISSION: The mission of the Northeastern Ohio Regional Trauma Network (NORTN), a program of the Akron Regional Hospital Association, is to collaboratively develop a regional trauma system and improve trauma care for the communities served, through data evaluation, research, injury prevention and education.

PURPOSE: The purpose of NORTN is to be the vehicle which collects and analyzes pre-hospital and hospital demographic and clinical data for peer review purposes, injury prevention initiatives, community based education and research, submission of data to the State trauma registry and performance improvement initiatives.

NORTN Regional Educational Series

NORTN member hospitals host an educational series three times per year and feature a keynote speaker. The NORTN Regional Trauma Conference serves as one quarter's educational event. Past topics included: *Management of Hepatobiliary Trauma: The Young & the Old; From Tears to Smiles: A TBI Story; Unusual Presentations of Pediatric Head Injuries.*

"The quarterly educational series is a case presentation encompassing all aspects of the trauma patient from injury through recovery. Each case presentation consists of an interesting trauma related case and gives valuable information related to EMS, First Responders, Clinical Staff and Physicians."

Joyce Himebaugh, Mercy Medical Center

NORTN SUBCOMMITTEES:

ANNUAL TRAUMA CONFERENCE

A group from the NORTN membership begins meeting soon after each Annual Trauma Conference is completed, in order to begin the planning for the next year's Conference. This subcommittee selects the conference venue, creates promotional materials, obtains speakers, organizes breakout topics, to name a few of their responsibilities.

TRAUMA AWARENESS/INJURY PREVENTION

This subcommittee researches methods in which it can promote education for trauma awareness and prevention within the community.

REGIONAL PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT/ RESEARCH

This subcommittee contracts with a Regional Performance Improvement Coordinator to identify opportunities for improvement through the process of monitoring trauma care in the region, and whose responsibilities cover a wide range of data analysis and benchmarks, scorecard/dashboard review just to name several areas of the concentration which NORTN's trauma data can be continuously developed and improved towards significant research and community service.

DATA MANAGERS

This group contracts with a Regional Data Manager and are responsible for tracking and reporting data relevant to the care of trauma patients. Trauma Data Managers play an important role in data collection, maintenance of data integrity, injury prevention and compilation of data for performance improvement and research.