



6th Annual South Texas Comprehensive Healthcare Symposium
Trauma Track Agenda
Thursday, May 1, 2025

TIME	LECTURE	PRESENTER	FACILITY
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Registration & Breakfast		
8:00 AM - 8:15 AM	Welcome & Introductions		
8:15 AM - 9:00 AM	Back from the Dead; Hypothermia in Trauma	Dr. Alejandro Candil	Valley Baptist Health System
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Neurotrauma	Dr. Bryan Bledsoe, DO, FACEP, FAEMS	Las Vegas
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM	Burns	Dr. R Dewayne Edwards, DO, FACS	DHR Health
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM	Trauma ACS Management of the Gravid Patient	Dr. Christine Dhalhausen	Valley Baptist Health System
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	Panel Q&A		
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Lunch		
12:30 PM - 1:15 PM	Managment of Ortho Injuries	Dr. Michael Menowsky, MD, FACEP	South Texas Health System
1:15 PM - 2:00 PM	Abusive Head Trauma	Dr. Raquel Vargas-Whale	Driscoll Children's RGV
2:00 PM - 2:15 PM	Break		
2:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Direct to Operating Room	Dr. Ryan Shine	DHR Health
3:00 PM - 3:45 PM	Morel-Lavallee Lesions	Dr. Rios Tovar	Valley Baptist Health System
3:45 PM - 4:30 PM	Firearms and Forensics of GSW	Dr. Jamal Rahini	South Texas Health System
4:30 PM - 4:45 PM	Panel Q&A		
4:45 PM - 5:00 PM	Closing Remarks & Evaluations		



6th Annual South Texas Comprehensive Healthcare Symposium
Stroke Track Agenda
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TIME	LECTURE	PRESENTER	FACILITY
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Registration & Breakfast		
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Management of AIS	Hamzah Saei, MD	Rio Grande Regional Hospital
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Management of Hemorrhagic Stroke	Juan Torres-Reveron, MD	DHR Health
9:45 AM - 10:00 AM	Break		
10:00 AM - 11:00AM	Stroke Prevention: What we can teach the community.	Luis Gaitan, MD	VBMC - Brownsville
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Updates on Endovascular Stroke Treatment	Patricia Fernandez, MD, MBA	DHR Health
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Lunch		
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Cerebral Edema and ICP Management in the Neuro ICU	Benedict Tan, MD	Valley Regional Medical Center
1:30 PM - 2:15 PM	Pediatric Stroke	Driscoll Transport Team	Driscoll Children's Hospital
2:15 PM - 2:30 PM	Break		
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	Post Stroke Management	Saroja Viswamitra, MD	DHR Health
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	Effective Stroke Rehab	Nathan Dunn, PT, DPT	DHR Health
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM	Stroke Mimics	Michael Menowsky, MD	South Texas Health System
4:45 PM - 5:00 PM	Closing Remarks & Evaluations		



6th Annual South Texas Comprehensive Healthcare Symposium
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Friday, May 2, 2025

TIME	LECTURE	PRESENTER	FACILITY
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Registration & Breakfast		
8:00 AM - 8:15 AM	Welcome & Introductions		
8:15 AM - 9:00 AM	The Geriatric Trauma Patient	Dr. Andrew Escamilla	Valley Regional Medical Center
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Burns	Dr. Michael Erickson	UTMB Galveston
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM	Burns	Dr. Michael Erickson	UTMB Galveston
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM	ECMO in Trauma	Dr. Andrew Phillips	DHR Health
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	Panel Q&A		
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Lunch		
12:30 PM - 1:15 PM	Pediatric Trauma	Dr. Lillian Amezquita	South Texas Health System
1:15 PM - 2:00 PM	Whole Blood in the RGV	Dr. Carlos Palacio	South Texas Health System
2:00 PM - 2:15 PM	Break		
2:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Hemorrhage Control	Dr. Bryan Bledsoe, DO, FACEP, FAEMS	Las Vegas
3:00 PM - 3:45 PM	Lessons from an EMS Ride Along	Dr. Gabriel Toma	DHR Health
3:45 PM - 4:30 PM	Organ Donation	Dr. Thomas Philips	Texas Organ Sharing Alliance
4:30 PM - 4:45 PM	Panel Q&A		
4:45 PM - 5:00 PM	Closing Remarks & Evaluations		



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Cardiac Track Agenda

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7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Registration & Breakfast		
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Congenital Heart Defects	Dr. Mohamed Algahim	Driscoll Children's Hospital
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Heart Failure	Dr. Michael Menowsky	South Texas Health System
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break		
10:15 AM-11:15 AM	Shortness of Breath	Dr. Praveen Vijhani	DHR Health
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Lunch		
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	ECPR ECMO	Dr. Andrew Phillips	DHR Health
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Pediatric Arrhythmias: Identification, Diagnosis, and Management	Dr. Garbine Goya	Driscoll Children's Hospital
2:00 PM - 2:15 PM	Break		
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	Pulmonary Embolism	Dr. Lillian Amezquita	South Texas Health System
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM	Shock	Dr. Praveen Vijhani	DHR Health
4:15 PM - 5:15 PM	STEMI Revascularization	Dr. Augustine George	South Texas Health System



6th Annual South Texas Comprehensive Healthcare Symposium
Maternal & Perinatal Track Agenda
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7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Registration & Breakfast		
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Infant Positioning and Development Care	Christina Alaniz, OTR	South Texas Health System
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Placenta Accreta Spectrum Disorder	Dr. Lyuba Levine	Womens Hospital at DHR
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Cardiomyopathy in Pregnancy	Dr. Adrian Salinas	Womens Hospital at DHR
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Break/Lunch		
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Sepsis in Pregnancy	Dr. Eduardo E Robles	Womens Hospital at DHR
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	Managing Respiratory Failure in Neonates	Dr. Syed Shah	Driscoll Health System
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Break		
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Congenital Critical Heart Disease in Infants	Dr. Ngozi Agu	South Texas Health System