Thomas Heymann, Sepsis Alliance

Improved Sepsis Outcomes (0.75 Contact Hours; 0.075 CEUs)

Objectives:

- Describe the national incidence and mortality of sepsis
- Describe the work of the Sepsis Alliance and their available sepsis identification and management resources
- Describe past and present levels of public awareness of sepsis
- Identify opportunities for community education and collaboration

Gil Allen, University of Vermont Medical Center
Carol Wood-Koob, The Manor
Derek Kouwenhoven, Central Vermont Home Health and Hospice

Perspectives from Continuum of Care (1 Contact Hours; 0.1 CEUs)

Objectives:

- Describe how acute care hospitals, EMS, LTCFs, and Home Health agencies, identify and manage patients with sepsis
- Describe system-level challenges for sepsis awareness and education
- Identify opportunities for collaboration and partnership across the continuum

Gil Allen, University of Vermont Medical Center

Best Practices in Acute Care Management (0.83 Contact Hours; 0.083 CEUs)

Objectives:

- Describe best practices for managing sepsis in acute care
- Describe how UVMMC used their data to drive a sepsis process improvement program
- Identify potential challenges to implementing improved processes you can apply to your facility (alarm fatigue, communication challenges, stakeholder buy-in, conflicting advice, etc...)
Josh Patrick, New Hampshire EMS

Lactate Point of Care Testing in EMS (0.83 Contact Hours; 0.083 CEUs)

UAN: 0106-9999-19-044-L01-P

Objectives:

- Describe best practices for managing sepsis in EMS
- Describe lactate point of care testing and its potential to improve sepsis survival
- Describe how New Hampshire EMS developed lactate point of care testing protocols
- Identify potential challenges to implementation of lactate point of care testing in EMS (communication challenges, CLIA license, costs, etc…)

Gail Colgan, Qualidigm

Tools & Resources in Post-Acute Care Setting (1.5 Contact Hours; 0.15 CEUs)

UAN: 0106-9999-19-045-L01-P

Objectives:

- Describe the signs and symptoms of sepsis in older adults
- Identify clinical prompts that can facilitate earlier identification of sepsis
- Explain that antibiotic stewardship and treating sepsis are not conflicting therapies
- Identify tools and resources available to aid in early detection of sepsis

Rebecca Bell, University of Vermont Medical Center

Sepsis in Children (0.5 Contact Hours; 0.05 CEUs)

UAN: 0106-9999-19-046-L01-P

Objectives:

- Describe risk factors that predispose children to sepsis
- Describe the importance of early recognition of sepsis in children
- Identify available tools and/or resources
- Explain how we can work with parents and caregivers to support early recognition of sepsis
Objectives:

- Describe care needs for survivors of severe sepsis
- Describe best practices for discharging patients who have survived sepsis
- Identify strategies to support survivors of severe sepsis post-discharge, including their families and caregivers