ATCN® Student Course Curriculum

**DAY 1**
Registration & Refreshments
Welcome & Course Overview *
Initial Assessment & Management *
Airway and Ventilatory Management *
Shock *
Thoracic Trauma *
Abdominal Trauma *
Rotation in Practical Skills Stations **
** Skill stations & testing by ATCN® faculty

**DAY 2**
Welcome & Refreshments
Head Trauma *
Spine and Spinal Cord Trauma *
Musculoskeletal Trauma *
Rotation in Practical Skills Stations:
Head Trauma
Pediatric Trauma
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Injuries due to Burns and Cold *
Trauma in Extremes of Age *
Trauma in Women *
Transfer to Definitive Care *
Triage Case Scenarios **
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Day 2 & Program Summation **

* Lectures by ATLS® faculty
** Skill stations & testing by ATCN® faculty
Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses®

ATCN® Course Description

Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses® (ATCN®) was developed to teach established standards of trauma care and practical, life-saving skills. The course is designed for the experienced Registered Nurse (RN) working in a trauma setting, including pre-hospital, emergency, critical care, surgery and trauma med/surg, who wishes to increase his/her knowledge and practical skills in managing critically injured trauma patients.

ATCN® is taught concurrently with the Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS®) course for physicians. This program is offered in cooperation with the American College of Surgeons, Committee on Trauma, Pennsylvania Chapter. Benefits of ATCN® include an educational, collaborative, synchronized team approach to trauma care with the participants of the concurrently taught ATLS® course.

The course includes didactic/lecture presentations, practical skill stations, pre-test review, triage scenario discussion, scenario-based initial assessment teaching and testing stations and a written examination.

ATCN® Course Objectives

Upon completion of this program, the registered nurse will be able to:

1. Demonstrate concepts and principles of primary and secondary patient assessment;
2. Establish management priorities in a trauma situation;
3. Demonstrate management priorities necessary when dealing with the trauma patient.

Participants

ATCN® courses are offered in conjunction with the ATLS® courses held at Robert Packer Hospital. Class size is limited and is based on the number of ATLS® participants. To allow for delivery of course materials, please register by 30 days prior to the course date. Type or print legibly and include all information requested, as CE certificates and course material mailing labels will be prepared from this form.

Continuing Education

The Society of Trauma Nurses is a licensed continuing education provider in the State of California Board of Registered Nursing. Provider No. CEP 11062. This course has been approved for 19.0 credit hrs.

Course Location

ATLS® and ATCN® programs are held at Robert Packer Hospital Regional Trauma Center in Sayre, PA. Lodging information, directions and parking instructions will be included with registration acknowledgement and course materials.

Course Registration Fee

ATCN® Student Course for non-Guthrie RNs.............. $ 250.00
ATCN® Student Course for Guthrie RNs.............. No Charge***
*** A $100.00 fee will be assessed for any registered participant who does not attend the course and has not given a 15 day written notice of cancellation.

Course fees include: ATCN® Student Course Manual, ATLS® Student Course Manual, course materials, breakfast, lunch and other refreshments.

Make checks payable to: Robert Packer Hospital - ATCN

Registration Confirmation:

Registration forms with payment are accepted on a first-come basis. A position will not be held awaiting payment. Enrollment will be confirmed after payment is received. A conformation e-mail will be sent immediately with course packet to follow. Incomplete information or incorrect payment will be returned and subject to delaying enrollment confirmation. Course dates are subject to cancellation or change, at which time, notification will be given as soon as possible.

Cancellation Policy:

All refunds will be subject to a $50.00 administrative fee. Participants must submit a written request for cancellation at least 15 days prior to the course date for any refund. No refunds will be given after that date. *** See above policy for Guthrie employees regarding cancellation.

Society of Trauma Nurses

The Society of Trauma Nurses (STN®) is the national oversight organization for ATCN®. The ATCN® program verifies successful completion of the ATCN® course and provides continuing education credit for completion of a course. STN® does not certify or credential nurses. To learn more about ATCN® or STN®, visit their website at www.traumanurses.org.

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