



**Big Sky EMS Education Symposium**  
*Pre-symposium October 31, 2024*

**Emergency Pediatric Care (EPC) Hybrid Provider Course**

**Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 8:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.**

The hybrid course structure includes **8 hours of online content to be completed prior to the in person symposium**, followed by 8 additional hours of classroom instruction.

Designed for EMS professionals, this course equips students with crucial knowledge of pediatric physiology, illnesses, injuries and interventions to provide optimal care for sick or injured children in the field.

Topics:

- The pathophysiology of the most common critical pediatric emergency issues, and critical thinking skills to help practitioners make the best decisions for their patients.
- Application of the Pediatric Assessment Triangle (PAT)
- The importance of family-centered care.
- Understanding and communicating with children.
- Airway management, breathing and oxygenation.
- Cardiac emergencies.
- Recognizing child abuse and neglect.
- Hypoperfusion and shock.
- Newborn resuscitation.

Appropriate for BLS & ALS providers

Upon successful completion of the course, students receive a certificate of completion and a wallet card good for 4 years, and 16 hours of CAPCE credit.

\*Complimentary snacks will be available. You will have a break to enjoy lunch on your own.

This course will be open to participants who have enrolled in the 2 day symposium, and then to general admission as space permits, on a first come first serve basis.

There are only **50** spots available.

Cost is \$30/person plus 2 day symposium fee.

16 CE hours available for completion of pre-symposium course

**The program is being sponsored by:  
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# November 1 & 2, 2024 Symposium Agenda

## Friday, November 1

- 7:00 - 7:55 a.m. Registration  
7:55 - 8:00 a.m. Opening Announcements  
8:00 - 9:10 a.m. **Life, Death & Everything In Between**  
Kelly Grayson  
9:10 - 9:40 a.m. *Continental Breakfast With Vendors*  
9:40 - 10:50 a.m. **Ejected Into Uncertainty – The Twists & Turns Of Critical Chest Trauma**  
Kris Kaull  
10:50 - 12:00 p.m. **Shaken, Not Stirred – Seizure Types, Origins & Causes**  
Chris Ebright (meets NREMT NCCP criteria)  
12:00 - 1:15 p.m. *Lunch - On Your Own*  
1:15 - 2:30 p.m. **The “Oh %^\$#%” Reflex: Overcoming Pediatric Pucker Factor**  
Kelly Grayson (meets NREMT NCCP criteria)  
2:30 – 3:35 p.m. **Heroes With A Message: Transforming EMS Perception Through Powerful Storytelling**  
Kris Kaull  
3:35 – 3:45 p.m. *Door Prize Drawing (must be present to win)*  
3:45 - 4:15 p.m. *Refreshment Break With Vendors*  
4:15 - 5:20 p.m. **When Puking Has A Poor Prognosis**  
Chris Ebright  
5:20 - 6:30 p.m. **Ramen Noodles, Emesis Basins & Looking Sexy At 3 a.m.: Everything You Need For A Rewarding Career In EMS**  
Kelly Grayson

## Saturday, November 2

- 7:00 - 7:55 a.m. Registration  
7:55 - 8:00 a.m. Opening Announcements  
8:00 - 9:10 a.m. **Russian Roulette – Drugs – The Deadly Problem Affecting Our Kids**  
Chris Ebright  
9:10 - 9:40 a.m. *Continental Breakfast With Vendors*  
9:40 - 10:50 a.m. **Capnography: Best Practices, Documentation & Advanced Uses**  
Kelly Grayson (meets NREMT NCCP criteria)  
10:50 - 11:50 a.m. **The Night Joe’s Crab Shack Almost Changed Everything: Anaphylaxis**  
Chris Ebright (meets NREMT NCCP criteria)  
11:50 - 1:05 p.m. *Lunch - On Your Own*  
1:05 - 2:35 p.m. **Medical Legal Documentation**  
Matthew Streger  
2:35 - 4:00 p.m. **The Art Of The Refusal**  
Matthew Streger  
4:00 - 4:05 p.m. *Door Prize Drawing (must be present to win)*  
4:05 - 4:30 p.m. *Refreshment Break With Vendors*  
4:30 - 5:30 p.m. **Shock: The Rude Unhinging Of The Machinery Of Life**  
Kelly Grayson  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m. **In An Instant: Based On An EMS Call Of A Co Worker With A PE**  
Chris Ebright  
6:30 *Symposium Adjourned*

Up to 16 CE hours available for EMS providers.  
8 hours are available for each day.

## Keynote Speakers:

### Chris Ebright

Chris is the Lead Instructor for The University of Toledo EMS Program. There he provides all aspects of primary EMS education in-house, as well as continuing education for numerous EMS services within Toledo and Northwest Ohio. Chris has been a Nationally Registered paramedic for 29 years, providing primary EMS response and critical care transportation. He has educated hundreds of first responders, EMT's, paramedics, and nurses with his trademark whiteboard sessions, including students from the Cayman Islands, India, and Australia. Chris is also a recurring article contributor to the Limmer Education website, and has been a featured presenter at numerous local, state, and national EMS conferences over the past 17 years.



### Kelly Grayson

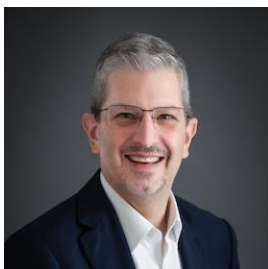
Kelly is the owner and founder of MEDIC Training Solutions. He has been a critical care paramedic and EMS educator for 30 years. Kelly is a passionate EMS advocate and a frequent regional and national EMS conference speaker, podcaster, contributing author to several EMS textbooks, award-winning columnist for EMS1.com and EMS World Magazine. He is the author of the bestselling book *Life, Death and Everything In Between* trilogy of EMS memoirs, the editor of the *Perspectives* emergency medicine and public safety anthologies, and many short stories and fiction novels.



### Matthew R. Streger

Matthew is a paramedic and attorney with more than thirty-five years of EMS experience. Matthew is a Partner at the law firm of Keavney & Streger in New Jersey where he focuses his practice on the needs of EMS agencies and healthcare providers. He is the recipient of multiple law and EMS awards and is admitted to practice in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Matthew has practiced law since 2006 and is a past leader in the New Jersey State Bar Association. He previously worked in EMS systems in New Jersey, New York, South Carolina and Ohio. Matthew served as the Executive Director of Mobile Health Services at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Jersey and the Deputy Commissioner of EMS in Cleveland. He was a member of the Panel of Commissioners for the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS) from 2015 to 2020 and is a principal member of the CAAS 4.0 Standards Committee. Matthew actively serves as a Per-Diem EMT for the Cherry Hill Fire Department EMS in New Jersey.

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## Local Speakers:

### **Kris Kaul**

Kris has driven innovation and positive change in EMS for over 30 years, merging his passion for EMS and technology to develop new resources and platforms that enhance patient care and operations. Today, he is recognized as an authoritative figure in EMS, healthcare, online media, and technology. Throughout his career, Kris has held various pivotal roles across EMS and fire services, including positions as a firefighter captain, training officer, paramedic, FTO, and ambulance service director. He continues actively serving as a critical care flight paramedic in rural Montana and Yellowstone National Park, directly impacting frontline medical care. On the corporate front, Kris founded Paramedic.com and led marketing initiatives across major industry platforms, including EMS1.com, FireRescue1.com, and PoliceOne.com. He later became the Chief Growth Officer at Pulsara, a platform that bridges the communication and logistics gap among first responders, emergency management, and hospitals. Kris is a partner at RedFlash Group, a national strategic consulting firm specializing in marketing, communication, and outreach strategies for the public safety sector, serving federal, commercial, and nonprofit organizations. A prolific speaker and writer, Kris addresses topics ranging from technology and clinical issues to leadership, emphasizing the critical role of human connection.



## Registration:

Brochures will be arriving in the mail soon and on line registration is available at this link:

<https://billingsclinic.cloud-cme.com/default.aspx>

Create an account by going to New User “Sign Up Now” or if you registered here last year you can use your established login, then go to the “CME Conferences” to find our link. A small credit card fee will be applied.

Fee:

Early Bird Registration by October 25<sup>th</sup>

2 day attendance - \$150.00

1 day attendance - \$90.00

Registration after October 25<sup>th</sup>

2 day attendance - \$170.00

1 day attendance - \$100.00

## Symposium Location:

### Billings Hotel & Convention Center

1223 Mallowney Lane

Billings, MT

I-90 Exit 446

## Lodging Accommodation:

### Billings Hotel & Convention Center

1223 Mallowney Lane, Billings, MT

# 800-537-7286

# 406-248-7151

<https://billingshotelmt.com>

The hotel features an inviting pool with a water slide and hot tub, making it an ideal destination for the whole family!

A block of rooms has been reserved for the **EMS Symposium**. To receive the discounted rate, reservations must be made by October 25th. Be sure to identify yourself as a Big Sky EMS Symposium participants when booking.

