

TRAUMA SYMPOSIUM

16TH ANNUAL

» **NOVEMBER 9, 2026**

HUNTINGTON CONVENTION CENTER

WELCOME



Thank you for your interest in the 16th Annual Northern Ohio Trauma System (NOTS) Symposium. This year's event will be held on November 9, 2026, at the Huntington Convention Center in downtown Cleveland, with a virtual attendance option available.

The NOTS Symposium continues to represent a collaborative effort among trauma centers across Northern Ohio, bringing together professionals from prehospital, emergency, surgical, and critical care settings. Our shared goal is to strengthen the regional trauma system through high-quality education, practical insight, and multidisciplinary collaboration.

This year's attendees will engage in in-depth discussions on high-acuity and high-risk scenarios, including rescue task force deployment during mass casualty events, management of combative patients, and critical decision-making in both prehospital and hospital environments. Breakout sessions will allow participants to tailor their experience,

with focused content on topics such as pediatric injury identification and documentation, trauma care in pregnancy, and advanced procedural skills including finger thoracotomy.

We will also take time to recognize excellence within our regional EMS community and celebrate the dedication of those providing front-line care every day.

We are deeply grateful to our sponsors for their continued support in making this event possible. I would also like to extend sincere thanks to the NOTS team—Danielle Rossler, Sara Arida, and Moni James—for their leadership and tireless efforts in organizing this symposium and ensuring the availability of continuing education credits.

We look forward to welcoming you, whether in person or virtually, and hope you find this year's symposium both engaging and impactful as we continue working together to advance trauma care across our region.

ALI F. MALLAT, MD, MS, FACS
NOTS Medical Director

SYMPOSIUM INFORMATION

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Physicians, nurses, mid-level and or pre-hospital providers, residents, and all healthcare providers involved in the care of the trauma patient.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Classify the significance of an effective mass casualty incident (MCI) plan
2. Identify key considerations in treating the pregnant trauma patient
3. Determine required documentation in cases of pediatric abuse

FACULTY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Cleveland Clinic Center for Continuing Education has implemented a policy to comply with the current Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education Standards for Integrity and Independence requiring mitigation of all faculty conflicts of interest. Faculty declaring a relevant financial relationship will be identified in the activity syllabus.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The Cleveland Clinic Center for Continuing Education complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need assistance, please notify Danielle Rossler, Program Manager of NOTS, at drossler@northernohiotraumasystem.com.

JOINTLY PROVIDED ACTIVITIES ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by the Cleveland Clinic Center for Continuing Education and NOTS. The Cleveland Clinic Center for Continuing Education is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

CREDIT DESIGNATION

American Medical Association (AMA)

The Cleveland Clinic Center for Continuing Education designates this live activity for a maximum of 7.75 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Participants claiming CME credit from this activity may submit the credit hours to the American Osteopathic Association for Category 2 credit.

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

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American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA)

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Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) Credit

This activity was planned by and for the healthcare team, and learners will receive 7.75 IPCE credits for learning and change.

Certificate of Participation

A certificate of participation will be provided to other healthcare professionals for requesting credits in accordance with their professional boards and/or associations.

REGISTRATION

2026 NOTS TRAUMA SYMPOSIUM PRICING

Category	Cost
In Person	\$85
Virtual	\$60
Day of Registration	\$110

- \$25 cancellation/change fee prior to October 5, 2026
- No refunds after October 13, 2026
- Registration closes October 12, 2026 at 5:00 PM

PARKING

The nearest available parking at Willard Garage, starting at 6:30 a.m., then Huntington, starting at 7:30 a.m. Pricing can range between \$8 and \$12.

- Parking is not included in the price of registration.
- Garage parking price is subject to change.

> [Go to northernohiotraumasystem.com](https://northernohiotraumasystem.com) to register.

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
6:30 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.	Registration/Breakfast/Vendors	Dr. Mallat/D. Rossler
7:00 a.m. – 7:15 a.m.	Introduction/Announcements	Dr. Mallat/D. Rossler
7:15 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.	Stronger Together: Northern Ohio Trauma System Annual Report	Dr. Mallat
7:45 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.	Ready for Our Smallest Patients	Michelle Moegling, BSN
8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Rescue Task Force Deployment in Mass Casualty Events	Dr. Shapiro/Dr. Reed
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Break/Vendors	
	Grand ballroom B (Hospital)	26BC (EMS)
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Small Details, Big Impact: Pediatric Documentation Done Right Dr. Iniguez	High-Risk Encounters: Combative Patients in EMS Dr. Bates
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Two Lives, One Mission: Trauma Care in Pregnancy Dr. Gerardo	Decisive Action: Mastering Finger Thoracotomy Dr. DeMarco
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Ensuring Safety: Responding to Combative Patients Dr. Bates	First Eyes on the Scene: Strengthening Pediatric Injury Identification and Documentation Dr. Iniguez
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Palliative Care: When to Call Dr. Stovicek	Prehospital Management of the Pregnant Trauma Patient Dr. Consing
12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	Lunch/Vendors	
12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Reading the Injuries: Insights from Coroner Cases Dr. Rusnak	
1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Recovery after Traumatic Brain Injury Dr. Leb	
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Advancing Hemorrhage Control: Whole Blood in NEO Dr. Bates	
3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Regional EMS Excellence Recognition M. James	
3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Closing Statement Dr. Mallat/D. Rossler	

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