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EMS Management – Beyond Patient Care

On June 10, 2016, Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center (AHEC) presented its 11th Emergency Responder Leadership Academy to 44 Emergency Medical Service leaders at the Best Western Plus in Kingston, NY. This year's topic, entitled, "EMS Management – Beyond Patient Care" was developed to discuss various reasons why an increasing number of Emergency Medical Service agencies are in jeopardy of closing and to review techniques that help to navigate the root causes that endanger an agencies function and viability.

Presenters included Jonathan D. Washko, MBA, NREMT-P, AEMD, Assistant Vice President - Northwell Health - Center for EMS; Lee Burns, BS, EMT-P, CIC-RF, Director, NYS DOH - Bureau of EMS and Trauma Services; and Jon Politis, MPA, NR-P, Director of Operations, Malta-Stillwater EMS. All presenters delivered well-balanced and relevant presentations that held the interest of all who attended.

Attendee quotes include, "This course was not typical EMS CME courses (cardiac, respiratory, etc.). It was incredibly relevant to the current state of EMS in New York and provided great ideas on how to deal with these problems." and "Informative - access to information that isn't available elsewhere. Would attend this *exact same* event many times more. *Great* information!"

Funding for this program was provided by the Westchester Medical Center Health Network Performing Provider System (PPS).

Catskill Hudson AHEC is a non-profit organization whose mission is to address regional healthcare workforce shortages through education and collaborative community relationships to assist students, career seekers and health professionals. For additional information about Catskill Hudson AHEC programs, please visit www.CHAHEC.org or call (845) 883-7260.



Presenters (from right to left),: Jonathan D. Washko, Lee Burns, and Jon Politis

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