

Pre Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS)

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MEMORANDUM FOR Combat Casualty Care Course (C-4) PreHospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS) Students

SUBJECT: PHTLS for C-4 Course

1. PHTLS is a 2 - 2 ½-day course sponsored by the American College of Surgeons and the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians. The PHTLS course increases participant's pre-hospital trauma management skills. The course awards 16 CEUs.
2. The PHTLS curriculum covers the pathophysiology and kinematics of injury, providing a basis for rapid assessment and treatment of the trauma patient and a standardized management method for prehospital care of the multisystem trauma patient.
3. The didactic portion highlights topics within the PHTLS textbook. The enclosed pre-test will help identify topics requiring additional attention prior to attendance.
4. Dentists, Podiatrists, and Physician Assistants (PA) will attend the PHTLS course. Those with PHTLS certification which expires more than twelve months from the C4 course date may audit the PHTLS course for 16.0 CEUs or opt to attend the Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) Course or Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC) if seating is available.
5. For enrollment in ATLS or TNCC contact the DMRTI Registrar's office at 210-221-0107 or emails them at dmrtiregistrar@amedd.army.mil. If you would like further information on PHTLS, email us at dmrtiphtls@amedd.army.mil.

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