

6th Annual South Texas Advanced Symposium on EMS EDUCATION SESSION

August 13, 2026

TIME	MODERATOR	EVENT	PRESENTER	TOPIC
8:00–9:30		Registration, Breakfast	***	
9:20–9:30		Welcome Remarks	Dr. Carlos Palacio, FACS	
9:30–10:30	Dr. Carlos Palacio	Speaker 1	Scotty Bolleter, BS, EMT-P, FP-C, EHS	Vascular Access
10:30–11:30		Speaker 2	Dr. Emily Kidd, FACEP, FAEMS	Pre-Hospital Whole Blood Program
11:30–12:30		Speaker 3	Nancy Hoffman	Implementation of Updates on the PHTLS Program
12:30–1:00	30-Minute Panel	Q&A Panel	***	
1:00–1:30	LUNCH	LUNCH	*****	*****
1:30–2:30	Dr. LeRone Simpson	Speaker 4	Chief Rommie Duckworth	Application of Guidance for the Management of Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest
2:30–3:30		Speaker 5	Dr. Robert Greenberg, FACEP	Why Do We Do That? EMS Edition
3:30–4:30		Speaker 6	Joseph Schmider	State Updates
4:30–5:00	30-Minute Panel & Closing	Q&A Panel		

7 EMS CE Credits

6th Annual South Texas Advanced Symposium on TRAUMA, CRITICAL CARE, & EMERGENCY GENERAL SURGERY

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TIME	MODERATOR	EVENT	PRESENTER	TOPIC
7:00–8:00	Exhibits	Registration, Breakfast	***	
7:45–8:00		Welcome Remarks, Color Guard	Dr. Carlos Palacio, FACS	
8:00–8:30	Dr. John Hovorka	Speaker 1	Dr. Joshua Dilday, FACS	When War Comes Home: Preparing Civilian Systems for National Readiness and Resilience
8:30–9:00		Speaker 2	Dr. Matthew Levy, MSc, FACEP, FAEMS, NRP	Pre-Hospital Whole Blood
9:00–9:30		Speaker 3	Dr. Robert Greenberg, FACEP	Why Do We Do That in the Emergency Department?
9:30–10:00		Speaker 4	Dr. Alexis Moren, FACS	VAP in ICU
10:00–10:20	20-Minute Panel	Q&A Panel	*****	*****
10:20–10:30	Exhibits	Snack Break/Exhibits	*****	*****
10:30–11:00	Dr. Jesus Rendon	Speaker 5	Dr. Thomas Duncan, FACS, FICS	Fall Prevention: Grounding Our Communities to Stand Up to Falls
11:00–11:30		Speaker 6	Dr. Brian Yorkgitis, FACS	Mind the H Bomb: TBI Management of the Adult and Pediatric Patient
11:30–12:00		Speaker 7	Dr. Zachary Warriner, FACS	Extremity Trauma and Tourniquets
12:00–12:30		Speaker 8	Dr. David Meyer, MS, FACS	Management of Complete Pelvic Trauma
12:30–12:50	20-Minute Panel	Q&A Panel	*****	*****
12:50–1:50	Dr. Carlos Palacio	Lunch with Keynote Speaker	Dr. Jeffrey Kerby, PhD, FACS	Updates from ACS-COT
1:50–2:00	Exhibits	Break	*****	*****
2:00–2:30	Dr. LeRone Simpson	Speaker 9	LeAnne Young, RN	Guardrails and Gridlines: The Value of Mentorship and Advocacy in Nursing
2:30–3:00		Speaker 10	Heidi Hotz, RN	Inspiration in Action: The Motivation Behind Delivering Exceptional Trauma Care
3:00–3:30		Speaker 11	Dr. Jamie Coleman, FACS	How to Do Hard Things Well: The Science and the Practical
3:30–4:00		Speaker 12	Enedina Enriquez, DSW, LCSW-S	When Caring Hurts: Trauma and Mental Health in Healthcare
4:00–4:20	20-Minute Panel	Q&A Panel	*****	*****
4:20–4:30		Closing Remarks & Evaluation	***	***