



**YOU CAN BE A LEADER, YOU CAN BE A DOER, BUT YOU CAN'T DO BOTH EFFECTIVELY: PRACTICAL TAKEAWAYS FOR WHEN CRISIS STRIKES ON THE LABOR AND DELIVERY**

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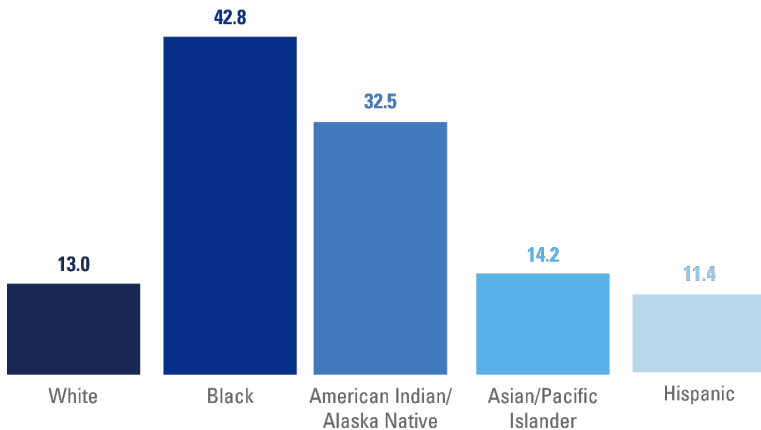


# MATERNAL MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates about 700 women die each year from complications related to pregnancy, and more than half of those deaths are preventable.

## Racial & Ethnic Disparities

Complex clinical, social and structural determinants contribute to racial and ethnic disparities in pregnancy-related mortality.



Source: CDC Pregnancy Mortality Surveillance System.

## The Need to Consider the Continuum of Care

Almost **two-thirds** of pregnancy-related deaths occurred outside the week of birth.

### Pre-delivery

During Pregnancy 31.3%

### Week of Delivery

Day of Delivery 16.9%

1-6 Days PPM 18.6%

### Postpartum

7-42 Days PPM 21.4%

43-465 Days PPM 11.7%

Source: Creanga A et al. Pregnancy Related Mortality in the U.S., 2011-2013. Obstet and Gynec 2017 & MMRIA (2017).



# BETTER HEALTH FOR MOTHERS & BABIES



- **Models and tools**
- **Case studies and best practices**
- **Information for patients and families**
- **Advocacy and policy**
- **Additional resources and contacts**

To explore more resources, please visit:

<https://www.aha.org/better-health-for-mothers-and-babies>.

# TODAY'S PRESENTER



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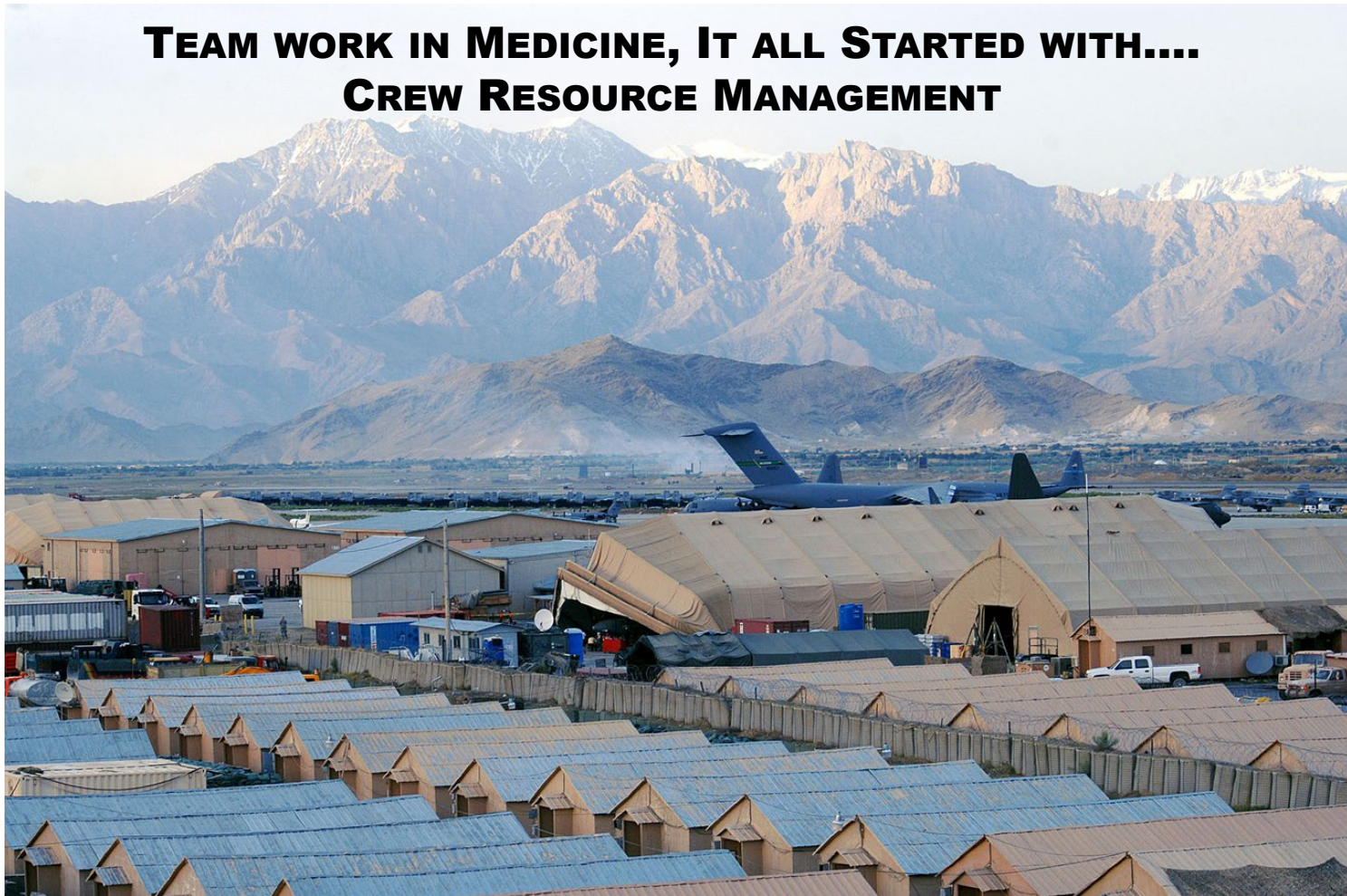


# OBJECTIVES

- Define the roles and responsibilities of a leader during medical emergencies
- Understand lessons can we learn from combat medicine and our acute care subspecialties
- Understand how can the we use the whole team, safety bundles and simulation drills to effectively improve our management of obstetric emergencies.

# BAGRAM AIR FIELD: AFGHANISTAN

**TEAM WORK IN MEDICINE, IT ALL STARTED WITH....  
CREW RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**



# HISTORY OF OBSTETRIC CARE DELIVERY

*Obstetrix – is Latin word for Midwife: It is thought to derive from the Latin word Obstare – “To Stand Before”.*



The earliest birth attendants were women.

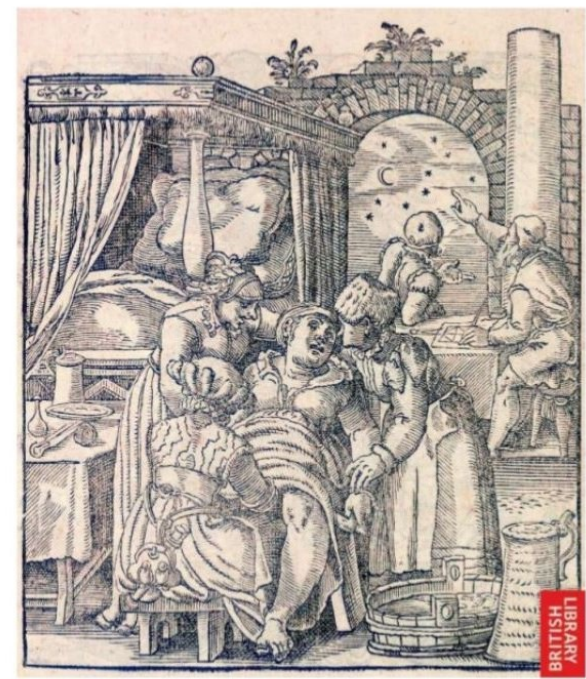


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# HISTORY OF OBSTETRIC CARE DELIVERY

*Turn of the Century brought Modern Surgical Technique and MEN....*



Painting depicting the first successful cesarean section in Latin America in 1844. By Enrique Grau. xx1995.814.3 International Museum of Surgical Science Collection

## The History of the Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics



Since The Johns Hopkins Hospital was founded in 1889, the Department of Gynecology and Obstetrics' physicians and researchers have been at the forefront of advancing women's health. Our faculty members have helped to change the face of obstetrics and gynecology in the United States — from their academic study to their impact on women and their babies.

# IN OBSTETRICS WE ARE STILL A SINGLE FIGHTER PILOT



# “JUST A ROUTINE OPERATION” HUMAN FACTORS IN PATIENT SAFETY

Martin Bromiley



# EFFECTIVE TEAM LEADERS:

- Organize the team
- Articulate clear goals
- Make decision through collective input of members
- Empower members to speak up and challenge, when appropriate
- Actively promote and facilitate good teamwork
- Skillful at conflict resolution



# YOU CAN'T BE A LEADER AND A DOER EFFECTIVELY.....

## Effective Team Leaders:

1. Need to be easily identifiable
2. Stand back – Airport Tower view
3. Make sure communication happens
4. Must have situation awareness
5. Assign roles to members, what their job is “right here right now”
6. Ensure we follow our guidelines, SOP’s and checklist
7. It isn’t controlling “the chaos,” it’s adding structure to that “chaos.”





# LESSONS WE CAN LEARN FROM THE BATTLEFIELD MEDICINE... LEADERS CAN BE ANY MEMBER OF THE TEAM...

**86<sup>th</sup> Combat Support  
Hospital; Baghdad, Iraq  
Ibn Sina Hospital**

Nurse leads trauma  
resuscitation during mass  
casualty event.



# LESSONS WE CAN LEARN FROM THE BATTLEFIELD MEDICINE... LEADERS CAN BE ANY MEMBER OF THE TEAM...



## 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Combat Support Brigade Clinic; Bagram, Afghanistan; 2011

Mass casualty event run by 18-year-old medic.



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## Simulation – Courses and In situ Team Drills

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# PATIENT SAFETY BUNDLES



**COUNCIL ON PATIENT SAFETY  
IN WOMEN'S HEALTH CARE**  
safe health care for every woman

**PATIENT SAFETY BUNDLE**

**Obstetric Hemorrhage**

**READINESS**

Every unit

- Hemorrhage cart with supplies, checklist, and instruction cards for intrauterine balloons and compressions stitches
- Immediate access to hemorrhage medications (kit or equivalent)
- Establish a response team - who to call when help is needed (blood bank, advanced gynecologic surgery, other support and tertiary services)
- Establish massive and emergency release transfusion protocols (type-O negative/uncrossmatched)
- Unit education on protocols, unit-based drills (with post-drill debriefs)

**RECOGNITION & PREVENTION**

Every patient

- Assessment of hemorrhage risk (prenatal, on admission, and at other appropriate times)
- Measurement of cumulative blood loss (formal, as quantitative as possible)
- Active management of the 3rd stage of labor (department-wide protocol)

**RESPONSE**

Every hemorrhage

- Unit-standard, stage-based, obstetric hemorrhage emergency management plan with checklists
- Support program for patients, families, and staff for all significant hemorrhages

**REPORTING/SYSTEMS LEARNING**

Every unit

- Establish a culture of huddles for high risk patients and post-event debriefs to identify successes and opportunities
- Multidisciplinary review of serious hemorrhages for systems issues
- Monitor outcomes and process metrics in perinatal quality improvement (QI) committee

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Standardization of health care processes and reduced variation has been shown to improve outcomes and quality of care. The Council on Patient Safety in Women's Health Care disseminates patient safety bundles to help facilitate the standardization process. This bundle reflects emerging clinical, scientific, and patient safety advances as of the date issued and is subject to change. The information should not be construed as dictating an exclusive course of treatment or procedure to be followed. Although the components of a particular bundle may be adapted to local resources, standardization within an institution is strongly encouraged.

The Council on Patient Safety in Women's Health Care is a broad consortium of organizations across the spectrum of women's health for the promotion of safe health care for every woman.

May 2015

For more information visit the Council's website at [www.safehealthcareforeverywoman.org](http://www.safehealthcareforeverywoman.org)

Consensus Statement

## National Partnership for Maternal Safety Consensus Bundle on Obstetric Hemorrhage

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Hemorrhage is the most frequent cause of severe maternal morbidity and preventable maternal mortality and therefore is an ideal topic for the initial national maternity patient safety bundle. These safety bundles outline critical clinical practices that should be implemented in every maternity unit. They are developed by multidisciplinary work groups of the National Partnership for Maternal Safety under the guidance of the Council on Patient Safety in Women's Health Care. The safety bundle is organized into four domains: Readiness, Recognition and Prevention, Response, and Reporting and System Learning. Although the bundle components may be adapted to meet the resources available in individual facilities, standardization within an institution is strongly encouraged. References

contain sample resources and "Potential Best Practices" to assist with implementation.

(*Obstet Gynecol* 2015;126:155-62)  
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Obstetric hemorrhage is the most common serious complication of childbirth and is the most preventable cause of maternal mortality.<sup>1,2</sup> Furthermore, recent data suggest that rates of obstetric hemorrhage are increasing in developed countries, including the United States,<sup>3</sup> and that rates of hemorrhage-associated severe maternal morbidity exceed the morbidities associated with other obstetric and medical conditions.<sup>4,5</sup>

Standardized, comprehensive, multidisciplinary programs have demonstrated significant reductions in morbidity.<sup>6,7</sup> Therefore, a workgroup of the Partnership for Maternal Safety, within the Council on Patient Safety in Women's Health Care and representing all major women's health care professional organizations, has developed an obstetric hemorrhage safety bundle.<sup>8</sup> The goal of the partnership is the adoption of the safety bundle by every birthing facility in the United States. A patient safety bundle is a set of straightforward, evidence-based recommendations for practice and care processes known to improve outcomes.<sup>9</sup> Such a bundle is not a new guideline, but rather represents a selection of existing guidelines and recommendations in a form that aids implementation and consistency of practice. The consensus bundle on obstetric hemorrhage is organized into four action domains: Readiness, Recognition and Prevention, Response, and Reporting and Systems Learning. There are 13 key elements within these four action domains (Box 1). It is anticipated that few, if any, hospitals will have 100% of these elements in place at the start of this quality improvement process, and this document should serve as a checklist from which to work. Low-resource hospitals should be able to accomplish most of these recommendations, but, if some are

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# OBSTETRIC EMERGENCIES

## Box 1. Obstetric Hemorrhage Safety Bundle From the National Partnership for Maternal Safety, Council on Patient Safety in Women's Health Care

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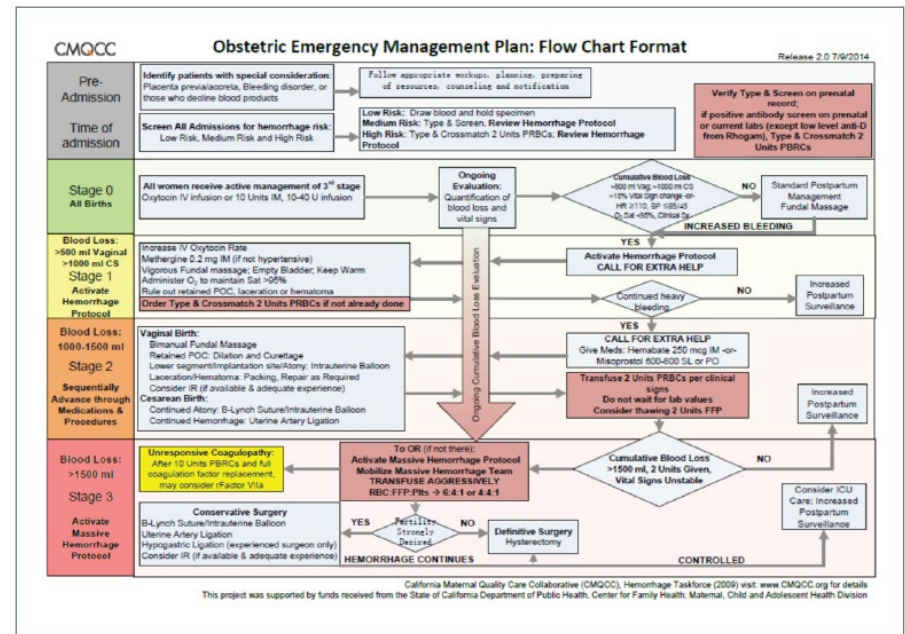
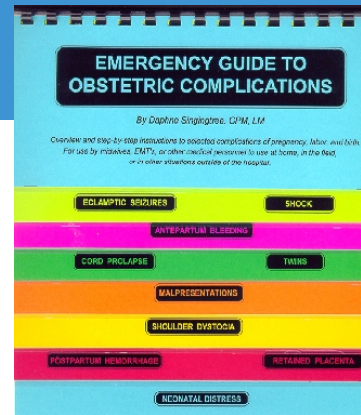
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# LEADERSHIP PEARLS I'VE LEARNED...

- ✓ Check the small things
- ✓ Remain calm - If the equipment fails, your knowledge remains
- ✓ Lead from the front - Leadership cannot be delegated while tasks can
- ✓ Perpetual optimism - is a force multiplier
- ✓ Don't take counsel of your fears or naysayers



# SUMMARY

- Any team member can be the leader but they have to know their roles and responsibilities to bring “structure to the chaos.”
- Combat Medicine, Emergency Medicine, Code/RRS Teams and Trauma teams know the leader isn’t the doer.
- Use the whole team and our safety bundles.
- Time we get over our egos... It is time move on from the single pilot model and embrace the team to provide better and safer obstetric care.



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