ITLS Mourns the Loss of Founder and President John Campbell, MD, FACEP

It is with tremendous sadness that International Trauma Life Support (ITLS) announced the passing of founder and president John Emory Campbell, MD, FACEP, of Alabama. Dr. Campbell passed away in his home on August 29, 2018 after a long illness. He was 75 years old.

“Dr. Campbell leaves such a great legacy that few can match,” said ITLS Illinois Chapter Medical Director Art Proust, MD, FACEP, a longtime friend and colleague. “I will always remember how he embraced me and welcomed me into the ITLS family, especially the Editorial Board. I will also forever cherish his friendship, as well as his kindness, generosity, and humbleness. He will be so missed but forever remembered.”

Known worldwide for his groundbreaking work in developing prehospital trauma education, Dr. Campbell founded the Basic Trauma Life Support (BTLS) program in 1982. It was the first course and curriculum dedicated to prehospital trauma assessment and trauma care worldwide. Dr. Campbell conducted the first BTLS course at Southeast Alabama EMS System on August 23, 1982. The goal of the course was to provide the student the knowledge and experience to recognize, assess and care for critical trauma patients and ensure timely transport to the emergency department. Students were taught to identify conditions requiring “load and go.” From its beginning, patient assessment has been the core of the BTLS/ITLS curriculum.

ITLS had humble beginnings in Alabama as a local course developed by Dr. Campbell for paramedics to learn the principles of Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) to improve the care provided to trauma patients. ITLS now is a worldwide organization offering 15 types of trauma courses and teaching more than 30,000 students annually in more than 40 countries across the globe. Dr. Campbell’s work has touched more than 750,000 trauma care providers worldwide since the program began and the millions of patients they care for.

From its very beginning, Dr. Campbell’s program was based on current research while maintaining a conservative and non-controversial approach. He wanted the course to be simple, practical, and short enough to be taught in two days. Dr. Campbell also recognized the importance of allowing the course to be adapted for regional differences among local EMS systems.

“Tremendous to think of this and I can’t believe that this little course has come this far,” Dr. Campbell once said about the growth of ITLS worldwide. “It’s just an idea whose time had come, and I just happened to be, by accident, the one who was there when it started. It’s still as important now as it was then.”

Dr. Campbell leaves behind a legacy of unflagging dedication and excellence in trauma care. He will be missed by the thousands of students, instructors, colleagues and friends whose lives he touched, personally and professionally through the reach of ITLS training and education.

A memorial for Dr. Campbell will be held on Saturday, November 9 at the 2018 Interna-
ICEP Hosting Completer Course on October 9 in Downers Grove

Complete your ITLS Provider certification or recertification with less time in the classroom and away from work!

ITLS Illinois and ICEP are sponsoring an ITLS eTrauma Completer Course on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 from 8:00 AM — 5:00 PM at the ICEP Conference Center in Downers Grove.

Earn your Advanced or Basic Provider certification with this two-part program: Simply complete the 8-hour ITLS eTrauma course online before attending!

Provider Recertification Option
This course can also be used as a 1-day Provider Recertification course, or as the Testing Component to follow up after the Rapid Renewal Provider Update online. (eTrauma is not required if attending as a Provider Recert or Testing Component.) Contact Sue McDonough at 630-495-6400 for more details.

All levels of emergency care providers are welcome to attend: First responders, EMT-Basic, EMT-Intermediate, EMT-Paramedic, all levels of nurses, and physicians.

The course is coordinated by Nicholas Fish, RN, BSN, EMT-P, an Illinois Affiliate Faculty member from Peoria. Chapter Medical Director Art Proust, MD, FACEP, will attend as the Course Medical Director as well.

This flexible course format allows students to complete the didactic portion of the Provider course online and then attend an 8-hour in-person Completer Course for skills practice and testing to achieve Provider certification.

To register, contact Sue McDonough at 630.495.6400, ext. 201, or suem@icep.org. Or download and complete the PDF form (available at ITRAUMAIL.org) and email or fax back to 630.495.6404. Registration deadline is October 2. Space is limited.

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Dr. John Campbell, ITLS CEO and founder, passed away suddenly on July 18. The ITLS Board of Directors and Editorial Board will continue under the leadership of Board Chair Jonathan L. Epstein, MEMS, NRP, of Massachusetts, and Editor-in-Chief Roy L. Alson, MD, PhD, FACEP, of North Carolina.

"John did not set out to be an EMS leader," said Dr. Alson. "Thirty years ago, he took a new trauma course and said, 'Why aren't we teaching this to EMS?' Along the way, he convinced countless doctors, nurses, EMS, fire, and police to share his vision. The legacy John leaves is measured in the lives saved by those who have been ITLS trained. He will be missed."

Dr. Campbell is survived by his wife Linda, sons Casey and Jason, and nine grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife Jackie. Donations can be made directly to ITLS, a global not-for-profit 501c(3) organization.
Longtime ITLS Illinois Advisory Committee member, affiliate faculty, and course coordinator Rosemary McGinnis, RN, BSN, TNS, was honored in June by the Illinois Department of Public Health’s (IDPH) State EMS Advisory Council with a Lifetime Achievement award.

The award was presented by Chief Mike Hansen, Chair of the EMS Advisory Council, in recognition of Ms. McGinnis’ 38 years of service in the Ottawa-Peru area.

As an early rural EMS voice, she pioneered the Intermediate EMT Class that improved patient care for rural Illinois communities. During her 18 years as an EMS Coordinator, she participated in numerous State committees that advanced the direction of EMS in Illinois.

“Through her tireless efforts and obvious passion for teaching EMS, Rosemary McGinnis touched the lives not only of her students but the countless emergency medical professionals throughout Illinois,” the award states.

Ms. McGinnis retired from her position as EMS System Coordinator for Ottawa Regional EMS System in June 2016, a role she held since 1997. She continues to provide training at OSF St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Ottawa Fire Dept., Illinois Valley Community Hospital, Orland Park Fire Dept., and Riverside EMS.

Ms. McGinnis has been involved in the ITLS Illinois chapter for more than twenty years and continues to serve as course coordinator, affiliate faculty, and instructor after retirement. She has served on the ITLS Illinois Advisory Committee for the past nine years and has attended nearly every meeting.

Jim Ward, EMT-P, was also honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award.

**Open Resource Policy on ITLS Written Exam Effective Immediately for ITLS Illinois Courses**

After research and piloting, the ITLS Board of Directors has approved a new Open Resource Policy for Written Exam testing. The policy change was announced globally at the beginning of August.

**Students will be permitted to use the ITLS textbook, ebook or personal (written) notes while taking the ITLS Written Exam. No electronic devices will be permitted during testing except for ITLS ebook access.**

The ITLS Illinois Advisory Committee discussed the policy change at the July meeting and approved the policy to begin in Illinois effective immediately. (The policy will be mandated in all Chapters and Training Centres worldwide by January 1, 2019.)

Coordinators should note that all other rules related to testing remain the same. Students will continue to be allowed a maximum of 1 hour to complete the Written Exam. Questions about implementation should be referred to Sue McDonough at suem@icep.org or 630.495.6400, ext. 201.
The 2018 International Trauma Conference will be held November 7-10 in St. Louis, Missouri! With the location within driving distance for so many instructors and providers, ITLS Illinois hopes to have a great showing at this year’s event.

Register now to attend: The Early Registration rates end October 1. Registration is open online at ITRAUMA.org/conference.

The conference hotel is the Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark, 1 S. Broadway, St. Louis, MO 63102. To make reservations, call 314-421-1776 and reference International Trauma Life Support Conference or make reservations online at ITRAUMA.org/stlouis. The conference room rate of $145 per night plus all applicable taxes includes complimentary guest room WiFi. The cutoff date for this rate is October 15, 2018.

Education Highlights
The 2018 agenda focuses on a wide range of hot topics in trauma care, including the evolution of clinical EMS care, REBOA, adjuncts to circulation, out-of-hospital hemorrhage control, chemical warfare agents, and more.

The Opening Keynote Session will be presented by Jon R. Krohmer, MD, FACEP, rector of the Office of EMS at The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Dr. Krohmer will kick off the conference with an inspirational discussion of the future of EMS and trauma care. He will illustrate the impact of coordinated regional trauma systems to improve patient care and will predict transformative trends in clinical care over the next 20 years.

The conference will close with a sobering focus on active shooter events. The largest mass shooting in modern U.S. history occurred when a gunman opened fire on a large outdoor country music venue in Las Vegas on October 1, 2017. Popular EMS author Bryan Bledsoe, DO, FACEP, FAEMS, a Las Vegas resident, will illustrate the timeline of events, the injuries, and the emergency response actions that night and in the following days. His gritty, honest presentation will examine strategies that should be implemented as part of active shooter event planning, based on real-life lessons learned as the result of unanticipated problems in the Las Vegas response.

New in 2018, the conference will present two Lightning Rounds session, powerful multi-topic presentations packed with takeaways to use in your practice immediately.

“It’s a Bloody Mess - Adjuncts to Circulation” focuses on bleeding control with special considerations for management of geriatric patients on anticoagulation therapy, permissive hypertension, and transfusions in the prehospital setting.

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Rapid Renewal Provider Option Now Available Online to Expedite Recerts

ITLS is proud to announce the all-new ITLS Rapid Renewal Provider Update, a blended-learning program. This course combines an online component with the Written Exam and Patient Assessment Practical Exam in the classroom setting to allow experienced providers to quickly, easily and effectively renew their ITLS Provider certification.

Here’s how the Rapid Renewal Provider Update program works:

1. You must hold a current, valid ITLS Basic or Advanced Provider certification to be eligible to renew through the ITLS Rapid Renewal Provider Update program. If your Provider certification is expired, please contact ITLS Illinois Chapter Coordinator Sue McDonough at suem@icep.org to inquire about eligibility.

2. Purchase and complete the Rapid Renewal Provider Update, a 1-hour online course, from Learn.ITRAUMA.org. The cost is $40. A 10-question quiz is built into the end of the course module; a score of 80% or higher is required for successful completion. You may retake the quiz as many times as necessary to achieve the passing score.

3. Print your Course Completion Certificate after successful completion of the Rapid Renewal Provider Update Quiz. This certificate is required for entry into the classroom Testing Component.

4. Set up a Testing Component appointment: Contact Sue McDonough or a local course coordinator for details. (A separate registration fee will be charged for the Testing Component.) The Testing Component may be arranged as a standalone course or as part of an existing Provider, Provider Recertification, or Completer Course at the discretion of the course coordinator.

5. At the Testing Component, complete and pass the full 50-question ITLS Written Exam (score of 74% or higher) and Patient Assessment Practice Exam (rating of Adequate, Good, or Excellent).

6. Receive your ITLS Provider Recertification card/certificate (valid for 3 years) and 2 hours of CAPCE continuing education credit.

NOTE: If you attend the Testing Component and fail either or both the Written and Patient Assessment Practical Exam(s), you will have the opportunity to retest 1 time on each; failure of either exam on a second attempt will result in recertifying through the standard 8-hour in-person course. ITLS recommends reviewing the 8th Edition ITLS for Emergency Care Providers textbook thoroughly before attending the Testing Component.

Early Renewal Eligibility: You may use the Rapid Renewal Provider Update program to renew your ITLS Provider certification up to 1 year before the expiration of your current certification.

Visit Learn.ITRAUMA.org to purchase the Rapid Renewal Provider Update program and get started on your recertification.
Join ITLS in St. Louis for 2018 Conference

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“Trending Topics” lightning rounds pulls together a diverse set of hot issues in prehospital care: hemostasis and preventable trauma deaths, EMS and body armor, and provider fatigue.

Also on the agenda:
- Matthew D. Sztajnkrycer, MD, PhD, FACEP, will outline recent trends in chemical weapon use, as well as research into clinical effects, countermeasures and triage.
- Cindy Bitter, MD, MA, MPH, FACEP, will review global epidemiology of burn injuries and primary assessment of burn patients with management of immediate life threats.

Preconference Workshops
Join ITLS before the 2-day conference starts for hands-on workshops:
- Critical Ultrasound for Prehospital Trauma Management on Wednesday, November 7
- Geriatric Trauma Workshop on Wednesday, November 7

- ITLS High Threat Trauma Update on Wednesday, November 7
- Case Based ITLS Workshop on Thursday, November 8
- Leadership Forum on Thursday, November 8

(Registration for all preconference program at additional cost. See ITRAUMA.org/precon for details.)

Social Event at the City Museum
Join your colleagues on Friday, November 9 from 7:00 to 11:00 PM at the conference social event at the City Museum, an eclectic mix of children’s playground, fun house, surrealistic pavilion, and architectural marvel made out of unique found objects. The reception will include a fried chicken dinner, a dessert bar sponsored by Missouri ACEP, and a cash bar.

The complete agenda, faculty listing, and preview of the exhibit hall are online at ITRAUMA.org/conference. Register now to secure the Early Registration rates - rates increase after October 1.

News and Notes from International

ITLS High Threat Course Under Development to Replace Military
The ITLS High Threat trauma program (replacing the ITLS Military course) is in development and will present a revised algorithm tailored specifically to the unique needs of the high threat environment, including military and tactical. The ITLS High Threat program has been developed to align to C-TECC and TCCC guidelines while incorporating lessons learned from first response and military personnel in the field.

The 16-hour course will feature a new manual, PowerPoint instructional slides, scenarios, and exams, with materials expected to be completed in early 2019. A preview of the updated course will be held as a preconference workshop at the International Trauma Conference on Wednesday, November 7 in St. Louis. This one-day preview demonstrates the adapted skills sets for patient care in the high threat setting and introduces the new course materials and content. The cost of the workshop is $109 with 2-day conference registration or $139 for attendance at the workshop only. This is not a certification course and is open to any level of provider.

New ITLS Duty to Respond Course to Target First Responder Audience
A new ITLS course targeted specifically to the first responder audience that are not formally trained emergency medicine providers is under development by the ITLS Editorial Board and workgroups. ITLS has received requests from programs around the world seeking a training program for this level of provider. The Duty to Respond course will be a one-day program with a visual focus and hands-on approach. A pocket guide will be published instead of a training manual. More details and the timeline for publication will be announced in the coming months.
ITLS Illinois Advisory Committee News

ITLS Illinois Advisory Committee Meeting Set for December 7
The last meeting of the ITLS Illinois Advisory Committee in 2018 is Friday, December 7 from 10 AM to 12 PM. Dates for 2019 will be decided at this meeting.

Meetings are held at the ICEP office in Downers Grove and available via Skype for videoconference or audioconference participation. Groups may also opt to meet at Illinois Central College in Peoria and Memorial Hospital in Belleville.

As a reminder, all Affiliate Faculty are required to attend one meeting every 2 years; videoconference or audioconference meets the attendance requirement. Attendance at additional meetings is optional.

Bradley Perry, EMT-P Appointed As New Illinois Affiliate Faculty
Bradley Perry, EMT-P, Manager of Emergency Services at HSHS St. Elizabeth’s Hospital in O’Fallon, was appointed as the newest ITLS Illinois Affiliate Faculty. Mr. Perry has been an ITLS instructor and coordinator since 2015. Congratulations!

Chapter Coordinator Can Help Facilitate Instructor Networking
Thank you to all the instructors who completed the 8th Edition Instructor Update. Instructors in Illinois are required to teach three times in the 3-year certification period to keep current and be eligible for renewal. If you are not employed by or aligned with an ITLS training facility and need to find courses to instruct at to fulfill this requirement, please contact Chapter Coordinator Sue McDonough at suem@icep.org. She will be happy to help you find a course location near to you and assist you in contacting the course coordinator.

Upcoming ITLS Illinois Courses

For the most updated list of upcoming courses in ITLS Illinois, including registration information, please visit http://cms.itrauma.org/CourseSearch.aspx. You do not need to log in to access this page. Here are some of the upcoming courses in Illinois:

**Sept. 21-22: Combined Provider Certification**
Registration: Karyn Eisemann, T 618-257-5736
Memorial Hospital, Belleville

**Sept. 21 or Sept. 22: Combined Provider Recertification**
Registration: Edward Kemnitz, T 217-428-8641
Decatur Ambulance Training Center, Decatur

**Sept. 28-29: Combined Provider Certification**
Registration: Eric Brandmeyer, T 618-391-6516
Anderson Hospital-EMS, Maryville

**Oct. 2: Combined Provider Recertification**
Registration: Deb Ward, T 630-938-8464
Rush Copley Healthcare Center, Yorkville

**Oct. 9: Combined Provider Recertification**
Registration: Mike Schwenke, T 217-258-2403
Sarah Bush Lincoln EMS, Mattoon

**Oct. 9: Combined Provider Completer**
Registration: Sue McDonough, T 630-495-6400
Illinois College of Emergency Physicians, Downers Grove

**Oct. 16-17: Combined Provider Certification**
Registration: Dean Buch, T 618-779-5690
MedStar Ambulance, Belleville

**Oct. 16: Combined Provider Recertification**
Registration: Danelle Geraci, T 309-624-4638
PAEMS Office, Peoria

**Oct. 17-18: Combined Provider Certification**
Registration: Dean Buch, T 618-779-5690
MedStar Ambulance, Belleville

**Oct. 17-18: Combined Provider Certification**
Registration: Mike Schwenke, T 217-359-6619
Sarah Bush Lincoln EMS, Mattoon

**Oct. 20-21: Combined Provider Certification**
Registration: Shelley Peelman, T 217-258-2403
East Central Illinois EMS, Champaign