



# VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF FIRST RESPONDERS

## 2026 VAFR Convention and Training Event — Thursday

| Time    | Classroom 1   | Classroom 2  | Classroom 3  | Classroom 4   | Classroom 5   | Classroom 6   | Classroom 7  |
|---------|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| 8a-9a   | <b>Leadership Workshop</b><br>8a-5p<br>Jeff Grimm<br>Leadership/Admin | <b>Fire, EMS, &amp; Law Enforcement Response to Aircraft Emergencies</b><br>8a-5p (Day 1)<br>Kevin Garber<br>Technical | <b>Methods of Instruction</b><br>8a-5p (Day 1)<br>Kathy Eubank<br>Instructor | <b>Tactical Emergency Casualty Care for Law Enforcement</b><br>8a-5p<br>Stuart Davis<br>Law Enforcement | <b>Pediatric Tactical Emergency Casualty Care</b><br>8a-5p<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS | <b>Cyber Security</b><br>8a-11a<br>Joey Bailey<br>ALS/BLS   | <b>Mental Health First Aid for First Responders</b><br>8a-5p<br>Steve Southworth<br>Leadership/Admin |
| 9a-10a  |   |  |  |   |   | <b>Chest Pain</b><br>11a-12n<br>Dr. Shawn Carpenter<br>ALS/BLS  |  |
| 10a-11a |   |  |  |   |   | <b>Crise De-Escalation</b><br>1p-2p<br>Kaja Chomp<br>ALS/BLS  |  |
| 11a-12n |   |  |  |   |   | <b>Access to Care</b><br>"Make the right Decision on where to go"<br>3p-4p<br>Matt Daniels<br>ALS/BLS |  |
| 1p-2p   |   |  |  |   |   | <b>Multim System Trauma</b><br>"Putting it all together"<br>4p-5p<br>Donna Hurst<br>ALS/BLS           |  |
| 2p-3p   |   |  |  |   |   |   |  |
| 3p-4p   |   |  |  |   |   |   |  |
| 4p-5p   |   |  |  |   |   |   |  |

## 2026 VAFR Convention and Training Event — Friday

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|---------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 8a-9a   | <b>Bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order</b><br>8a-12n<br>Ken Morgan<br>Leadership/Admin | <b>Tactical Emergency Casualty Care</b><br>8a-5p (Day 1)<br>Stuart Davis<br>Technical | <b>Methods of Instruction</b><br>8a-5p (Day 2)<br>Kathy Eubank<br>Instructor | <b>Legal Update</b><br>8a-5p<br>Benjamin Kontaxes<br>Law Enforcement | <b>Rescue Task Force Best Practices and Field Operations</b><br>8a-5p<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS | <b>EMS Monopoly</b><br>8a-10a<br>Bonnie Caplinger<br>ALS/BLS   | <b>Fire, EMS, &amp; Law Enforcement Response to Aircraft Emergencies</b><br>8a-5p (Day 2)<br>Kevin Garber<br>Technical |
| 9a-10a  |   |   |  |  |  | <b>Neonatal Resuscitation-Imminent Delivery</b><br>10a-11a<br>Chelsey Sibold<br>ALS/BLS                    |  |
| 10a-11a |   |   |  |  |  | <b>You Leave the ER - What happens after</b><br>11a-12n<br>Dr. Shawn Carpenter<br>ALS/BLS                  |  |
| 11a-12n |   |   |  |  |  | <b>Assessment - PreHospital Stroke</b><br>1p-3p<br>Amy Markam/Carlissa Lam<br>ALS/BLS                      |  |
| 1p-2p   |   |   |  |  |  | <b>LVADS/Zoll Life Vest</b><br>What you need to know<br>3p-4p<br>Donna Hurst<br>ALS/BLS                    |  |
| 2p-3p   |   |   |  |  |  | <b>Chester Traumer</b><br>How to know what it is when you can't see it.<br>4p-5p<br>Donna Hurst<br>ALS/BLS |  |
| 3p-4p   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4p-5p   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |



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| 8a-9a   | Infectious Disease Control<br>8a-12n<br>Mark Barenklau<br>ALS/BLS                       | Tactical Emergency Casualty Care<br>8a-5p (Day 2)<br>Stuart Davis<br>Technical | ALS Skills Stations<br>8a-12n<br>State & Regional OMD's<br>ALS/BLS  | Use of Force<br>8a-12n<br>Benjamin Kontaxes<br>Law Enforcement                       | Rescue Task Force - Integrated<br>Command Operations<br>8a-12n<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS | How do I get started in volunteer EMS<br>8a-9a<br>Ryan Hurst<br>ALS/BLS | Fire, EMS, & Law Enforcement<br>Response to Aircraft Emergencies<br>8a-5p (Day 3)<br>Kevin Garber<br>Technical |
| 9a-10a  |   |  |   |  |   | Stop the Bleed<br>9a-10a<br>Crissy Snyder<br>ALS/BLS                    |  |
| 10a-11a |   |  |   |  |   | Q & A - All you need to know<br>10a-12n<br>Zeb Bradley<br>ALS/BLS       |  |
| 11a-12n |   |  |   |  |   |   |  |
| 1p-2p   | Designated Infectious Disease<br>Officer<br>1p-5p<br>Mark Barenklau<br>Leadership/Admin | BLS Skills Stations<br>1p-5p<br>State & Regional OMD's<br>ALS/BLS              | Cultural Diversity<br>1p-3p<br>Benjamin Kontaxes<br>Law Enforcement | Pediatric Emergency Care<br>Coordinator Workshop<br>1p-5p<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS | 12 Leads - What do those lines mean<br>1p-3p<br>Zeb Bradley<br>ALS/BLS                    |   |  |
| 2p-3p   |   |  |   |  | Let's play Kahoot - Challenging<br>Medical Terms<br>3p-4p<br>Donna Hurst<br>ALS/BLS       |   |  |
| 3p-4p   |   |  |   |  | EMS Response to Special Events and<br>Standbys<br>4p-5p<br>Caleb Mason<br>ALS/BLS         |   |  |
| 4p-5p   |   |  |   |  | Soverign Citizens<br>3p-5p<br>Benjamin Kontaxes<br>Law Enforcement                        |   |  |

## 2026 VAFR Convention and Training Event — Sunday

| Time    | Classroom 1   | Classroom 2  | Classroom 3   |  |  |  |
|---------|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| 8a-9a   | Why Kids Scare Me<br>Taking Control of the Pediatric Call<br>8a-9a<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS                   | Intro to VAFR Leadership<br>8a-12n<br>Wesley Melson/Jeff Grimm<br>Leadership/Admin | Scene Size-up<br>8a-9a<br>Caleb Mason<br>ALS/BLS          |  |  |  |
| 9a-10a  | Pediatric MCI Triage and Surge<br>Capacity<br>9a-10a<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS                                 |  | Air Embolisims<br>9a-10a<br>Donna Hurst<br>ALS/BLS        |  |  |  |
| 10a-11a | EMS Pediatric Hemorrhage Control<br>Pressure, Packing, Tourniquet and TXA<br>10a-11a<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS |  | Soft Tissue Injuries<br>10a-11a<br>Donna Hurst<br>ALS/BLS |  |  |  |
| 11a-12n | Sick or Not Sick Kids:<br>Using the Pediatric Assessment Triangle<br>11a-12n<br>Mike Garnett<br>ALS/BLS         |  | Fire Ground Rehab<br>11a-12n<br>Caleb Mason<br>ALS/BLS    |  |  |  |

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION INCLUDES ACCESS TO ALL TRAINING EVENTS.**

2026 VAFR CONVENTION & TRAINING  
HARRISONBURG, VA  
October 8 - 11, 2026

The following courses require pre-registration due to limited course capacity:

- Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC)
- Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)
- Methods of Instruction (MOI)
- Infectious Disease Control (IDC)
- Fire, EMS, and Law Enforcement Response to Aviation Emergencies (RTAE)
- Designated Infectious Disease Officer (DICO)

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