

NC EXPO 2026



Benton Convention Center • Winston-Salem, NC • May 1-6, 2026

2026 NC Expo Pre-Conference

Friday, May 1

Location	Time
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Educational Program Coordinator/Director Workshop OEMS Staff	Bethabara	8:00-5:00
Manual Ventilation Academy's High Performance Ventilation Course Train the Trainer Page	Hearn A	12:00-5:00

Saturday, May 2

Location	Time
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Educational Program Coordinator/Director Workshop OEMS Staff	Bethabara	8:00-5:00
EMS Research Summit Foundation for Prehospital Medicine Research	Hearn CD	8:00-5:00
Heart and Lungs Dissection with 12-Lead ECG Glendenning/McAdams	Corpening	8:00-5:00
EMS Simulation Escape Room Page	Salem	8:00-1:00

Sunday, May 3

Location	Time
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EMS Research Summit Foundation for Prehospital Medicine Research	Hearn CD	8:00-5:00
Strengthening Rural Readiness: Collaborative Strategies to Improve Cardiac Arrest Survival RESTORE-CARE Study & DCRI/VCU	Hearn A	8:00-12:00
Responding to OB Emergencies Soto	Hearn B	8:00-12:00
Manual Ventilation Academy's High Performance Ventilation Course Page	Bethabara	8:00-12:00

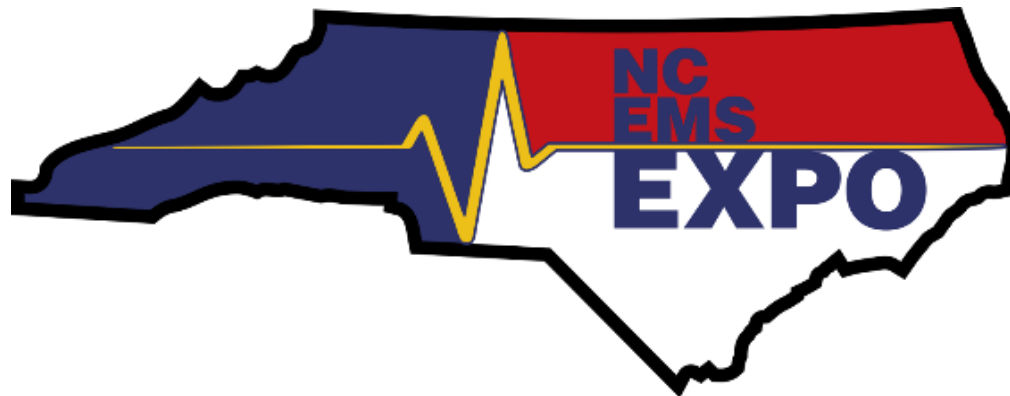
Join us on Sunday for the 34th Annual Paramedic Competition in the Winston Ballroom

Doors open at noon,
first competition is at 12:30 p.m.



Trade Show Hours: Sunday, May 3rd, 2:00 PM – Tuesday, May 5th, 4:00 PM

2026 NC Expo- Monday



Keynote Sessions	Location	Time
Opening Remarks Chief Mitchell	Salem	8:30-8:45
Never Have I Ever: Never Events in EMS Matthew Streger	Salem	8:45-10:00
Don't Lose Yourself: A First Responders' Mental Health Presentation The Salty Paramedic	Salem	10:30-11:45

Monday Afternoon Sessions

1:00-2:00

Winston 1AB*	Prehospital Ultrasound: Current Evidence and Clinical Practice Smith/Privette
Winston 1C	Chilled to the Bone: Hypothermia in the Wilderness Fleischman
Winston 2	194 Grams-The Weight that Almost Killed Me Shumate
Winston 3AB**	
Salem 1 AB	More Than a Checkbox, Turning EMS Evaluations into Conversations That Build Culture and Drive Growth Sheehy
Salem 2	Storm Surge and Small Survivors: The High-Stakes Hospital Evacuation Shimko
Salem 3B	The Wrong Side of Good: Reading Between the AHA 2025 Ranges Taylor
Salem 3C	The Science of Recruitment and Retention Batsie

2:30-3:30

Zero Fail Airway, Because Failure Is Not An Option Russell
Cool with School-Working with Local School System Holloman
Racing to Save Lives: Lessons from Formula 1 for Emergency Services Lawrence
Beyond the EHR: Business Continuity and EM in Healthcare Gioello
Pediatric Trauma: Everyone's Worst Nightmare Hexel
Protecting Providers, Preserving Patients, Defusing Danger McKnight
Effective Leadership for EMS Training Officers Magill
Keeping the Beat: Cardiac Pacing in Critical Care Transport Edwards

3:45-4:45

Keeping the Flow on the Go: Dual Impella Transport Lessons Learned Capps/Atkins
Don't Put Your Foot in Your Mouth: Case Studies in Leadership Communication Errors Batsie
Crew Resource Management and EMS: Fighting the Power Streger
From Plans to Practice: Designing Effective Exercises Hexel
Leading While Carrying: Supporting Others Without Losing Yourself Sheehy
Blood Programs in NC EMS Zalkin
Toxicology of Lithium Fire Exposures Craig

2026 NC Expo -Tuesday

Keynote Sessions

Location

Time

The Call I Ignored: Creating Longevity in a Career That Trains Us to Rescue Everyone but Ourselves

Alexandra Jabr

Salem 2

8:45-10:00

Lessons Learned from Pulse Night Club

Josh Corsa, MD

Salem 2

10:30-11:45

Tuesday Afternoon Sessions

1:00-2:00

Winston 1AB*

Shock: More Than Just Pressure — Perfusion, Pharmacology, & the Art of Resuscitation

Bomberry

Winston 1C

Shocking Skies: Lightning Injuries in the Wilderness

Fleischman

Winston 2

Medical Directors Update Part 1

Winslow, MD

Winston 3AB**

Workplace Stress: Techniques for Emptying Your Bucket and Filling Your Tank

Sirianni /Wogatzke

Salem 1AB

Weed the People

Dean

Salem 2

When the Patient Wakes Up: CPR-Induced Consciousness

McAdams

Salem 3B

Be Your Brother's Keeper: Saving EMS live by promoting mental health

Mills

Salem 3C

On Trial:Teaching Legal Preparedness in EMS Education

Nagel

2:30-3:30

Ventilating the Vulnerable: Strategies for Pediatric Care

McLaughlin

Beyond the Badge:Living with Presence and Purpose

Blanchard

Building Trust:The Leadership Missing Link

Streger

Inside the System: Statewide Healthcare Preparedness, Partnerships, and Your Role in What's Next

Clement

Breaking all the Rurals: Lessons Learned from Coordinating a Post Overdose Response Program in a Rural Community

Childers

Going Pro: Advancing Professionalism in EMS

Holloman

My IFR Condition: From Flight Deck to the Hospital Bed and Back Again

McKinzey

Death by Rescue Managing Crush Injuries

Hexel

3:45-4:45

Navigating a Prehospital K-9 Transport Program: From Concept to Critical Care

Prater

Social Determinants of Health: The Next Frontier in Community Paramedicine

Goenner

Air Medical & Healthcare preparedness in Hurricane Helene

Reaves

When EMS Gets Caught in the Camera

Portela

Swipe Right...A match made in Heaven. How to match your agency with the right Medical Director

Childers

A Potpourri of Pediatric Pearls:Interactive Care Based Learning for EMT Clinicians

Jackson

EMS Research:Year in Review

Prehospital Research

HONORING THE PAST,
ADVANCING THE FUTURE.

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2026 NC Expo -Wednesday

Keynote Sessions

Location

Time

Thriving in a Multigenerational Organization

Melissa Furman

Salem 2

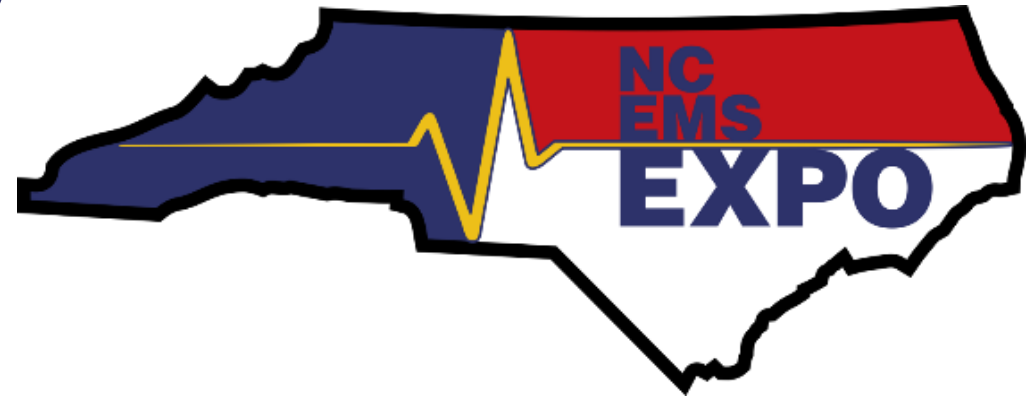
9:00-10:15

Stronger Together:Reimagining Healthcare Partnerships in the Era of Complex Emergencies

Brock Long

Salem 2

10:30-11:45



Join Us for a Special Presentation

Please join us at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 6, in the lobby outside the Winston and Salem Ballrooms.

This meaningful 30-minute ceremony will honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

The Southern Route Riders will read the names of first responders who have passed before us and ring the bell after each name to symbolize that they are never forgotten.

Following the tribute, we will celebrate the send-off of the National EMS Memorial Bike Ride – Southern Route, as riders begin their journey in honor of fallen EMS professionals.

Morning refreshments will be provided.

Registration Information

Friday and Saturday Pre-Conference Registration Sessions will take place in the Marriott Hotel Meeting Rooms

Sunday Registration will take place in the Benton Convention Center.

Registration Times:

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30-4:00 p.m.

Monday: 7:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 7:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

Monday and Tuesday

Lunch Breaks are from 11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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