

### **WINTER 2019/2020 UPDATE**

#### NEW Provincial Consensus Statement:



In collaboration with the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Working Group that consisted of Neurosurgeons, Emergency Physicians, Intensivists, Trauma Nurses and Neurosurgical Resource Nurses from across

New Brunswick, the NB Trauma Program will be releasing the TBI Consensus Statement in early spring. Based on best practice and evidence, the consensus statement will highlight pre-hospital, emergency/resuscitative care, interfacility transfer, monitoring & treatment recommendations as well as disposition/transfer criteria — Coming Soon!

### The Crucial Influence of Complete Assessments:



Published evidence and data from within NB both confirm the importance of a full assessment of the trauma patient on arrival from any inter-facility transfer – our case reviews confirm that patients change during transfer,

and not all injuries may have fully evolved or been identified at the sending site. Emergency Departments should register and assess these patients on arrival – and always with bedside support from local on call consultants when requested.

## ATLS

ADVANCED TRAUMA LIFE SUPPORT

# A NEW FORMAT FOR ATLS!

Some important changes have been made to the 10th Edition of Advanced Trauma Life Support:

- Lectures have been replaced with interactive discussions while incorporating best practice information
- Skill stations are now scenario-based, allowing application to real life situations

Feedback from our first few course offerings of the 10th Edition have been overwhelmingly positive. Our next courses are April 3-5, 2020 (delivered in English, in Saint John) and May 1-3, 2020 (delivered in Moncton, in French). Registration forms (and all other clinical resources produced by the NB Trauma Program) are available at www.NBTrauma.ca

