1.	Tactical Combat Casualty Care for Medical Personnel August 2018 (Based on TCCC-MP Guidelines 180801)  Tactical Field Care 1a Introduction to Tactical Field Care	Tactical Combat Casualty Care for Medical Personnel August 2018  (Based on TCCC-MP Guidelines 180801)  Tactical Field Care 1a Introduction to Tactical Field Care	Tactical Combat Casualty Care is the standard of care in battlefield prehospital medicine. If you have not been trained in TCCC, then your previous medical training may not have contained the material presented in the following lessons. Medical care in combat is significantly different than that provided on the streets of Anywhere, USA.
2.	Disclaimer  "The opinions or assertions contained herein are the private views of the authors and are not to be construed as official or as reflecting the views of the Department of the Army, Air Force, Navy or the Department of Defense."  - There are no conflict of interest disclosures	"The opinions or assertions contained herein are the private views of the authors and are not to be construed as official or as reflecting the views of the Departments of the Army, Air Force, Navy or the Department of Defense."  There are no conflict of interest disclosures.	Read the disclaimer.
3.	LEARNING OBJECTIVES  Terminal Learning Objective  Perform Tactical Field Care  Enabling Learning Objectives  Identify the importance of perimeter security in tactical field care.  Identify the common causes of altered mental status on the battlefield.  Identify the importance of disarming and securing communications gear of a casualty with altered mental status.	Terminal Learning Objective     Perform Tactical Field Care     Enabling Learning Objectives     Identify the importance of perimeter security in tactical field care.     Identify the common causes of altered mental status on the battlefield.     Identify the importance of disarming and securing communications gear of a casualty with altered mental status.	Read the text.

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4.	Enabling Learning Objectives  Describe the prioritization of treating lifethreatening conditions using a tactical trauma assessment sequence such as the MARCH algorithm.  Identify triage considerations in tactical field care.  Determine appropriate treatment techniques for preventable causes of combat death.  Demonstrate a Tactical Trauma Casualty Assessment.	<ul> <li>Enabling Learning Objectives</li> <li>Describe the prioritization of treating lifethreatening conditions using a tactical trauma assessment sequence such as the MARCH algorithm.</li> <li>Identify triage considerations in tactical field care.</li> <li>Determine appropriate treatment techniques for preventable causes of combat death.</li> <li>Demonstrate a Tactical Trauma Casualty Assessment.</li> </ul>	Read the text.
5.	Tactical Field Care  Distinguished from Care Under Fire by:  A reduced level of hazard from hostile fire  More time available to provide care based on the tactical situation  Medical gear is still limited to that carried by the medic or corpsman or unit members (may include gear in tactical vehicles)	<ul> <li>Tactical Field Care</li> <li>Distinguished from Care Under Fire by:         <ul> <li>A reduced level of hazard from hostile fire</li> <li>More time available to provide care based on the tactical situation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Medical gear is still limited to that carried by the medic or corpsman or unit members (may include gear in tactical vehicles)</li> </ul>	Now the shooting has stopped – or the enemy's fire is ineffective.  This doesn't mean that the danger is over – the situation could change to Care Under Fire again at any time.
6.	Tactical Field Care      May consist of rapid treatment of the most serious wounds with the expectation of a reengagement with hostile forces at any moment, or      There may be ample time to render whatever care is possible in the field.      Time to evacuation may vary from minutes to several hours or longer.	<ul> <li>Tactical Field Care</li> <li>May consist of rapid treatment of the most serious wounds with the expectation of a reengagement with hostile forces at any moment, or</li> <li>There may be ample time to render whatever care is possible in the field.</li> <li>Time to evacuation may vary from minutes to several hours or longer.</li> </ul>	This phase of care may be very prolonged.

7.	Battlefield Priorities in the Tactical Field Care Phase  The TFC presentations cover the care to be recommended in TFC.  You must deal with your tactical situation and your casualties.  The sequence of care in TFC is compatible with the MARCH algorithm found in the USSOCOM Tactical Trauma Protocols.	<ul> <li>Battlefield Priorities in the Tactical Field Care Phase</li> <li>The TFC presentations cover the care to be recommended in TFC.</li> <li>You must deal with your tactical situation and your casualties.</li> <li>The sequence of care in TFC is compatible with the MARCH algorithm found in the USSOCOM Tactical Trauma Protocols.</li> </ul>	You may have multiple casualties with multiple problems, and you will deliver care in light of the tactical situation. You are on a battlefield. What problems do you address first?
8.	MARCH  • Massive hemorrhage – control lifethreatening bleeding. • Airway – establish and maintain a patent airway.  • Respiration – decompress suspected tension pneumothorax, seal open chest wounds, and support ventilation/oxygenation as required.	<ul> <li>Massive hemorrhage – control life-threatening bleeding.</li> <li>Airway – establish and maintain a patent airway.</li> <li>Respiration – decompress suspected tension pneumothorax, seal open chest wounds, and support ventilation/oxygenation as required.</li> </ul>	The MARCH algorithm is a guide to the sequence of treatment priorities in caring for combat casualties.
9.	MARCH  Circulation – establish IV/IO access and administer fluids as required to treat shock.  Head injury Hypothermia – prevent/treat hypotension and hypoxia to prevent worsening of traumatic brain injury and prevent/treat hypothermia.	MARCH  • Circulation – establish IV/IO access and administer fluids as required to treat shock.  • Head injury/Hypothermia – prevent/treat hypotension and hypoxia to prevent worsening of traumatic brain injury and prevent/treat hypothermia.	Read the text.

10.	Tactical Field Care Guidelines  1. Establish a security perimeter in accordance with unit tactical standard operating procedures and/or battle drills. Maintain tactical situational awareness.	Tactical Field Care Guidelines  1. Establish a security perimeter in accordance with unit tactical standard operating procedures and/or battle drills. Maintain tactical situational awareness.	Read the guideline.  (Note: All of the slides entitled "Tactical Field Care Guidelines" - as this one is - should be read verbatim.)  Security practices are prescribed in tactics, techniques, and procedures manuals. Know yours.
11.	Tactical Field Care Guidelines  2. Triage casualties as required. Casualties with an altered mental status should have weapons and communications equipment taken away immediately.	Tactical Field Care Guidelines  2. Triage casualties as required. Casualties with an altered mental status should have weapons and communications equipment taken away immediately.	Read the guideline.  Weapons and radios do not mix well with shock or narcotics!
12.	Manage Casualties with Altered Mental Status  A combatant with an altered mental status may use his weapons or radios inappropriately. Secure long gun, pistols, knives, grenades, explosives, and all communications gear. Possible causes of altered mental status are Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), shock, hypoxia, and pain medications. Say to the casualty: "Let Smith hold your weapon for you while I check you out."	<ul> <li>Manage Casualties with Altered Mental Status</li> <li>A combatant with an altered mental status may use his weapons or radios inappropriately.</li> <li>Secure long gun, pistols, knives, grenades, explosives, and all communications gear.</li> <li>Possible causes of altered mental status are Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), shock, hypoxia, and pain medications.</li> <li>Say to the casualty: "Let Smith hold your weapon for you while I check you out."</li> </ul>	You should take all weapons and radios away from any casualty who is not alert and fully oriented to the tactical situation. A confused or disoriented casualty may resist being disarmed. The proposed comment in the last bullet may help him to better accept your taking his weapon.
13.	Questions?	Questions?	