

General Presentation Syllabus

Title: *Yeah, But Can You Defend It?*

Intended Audience: General

Length: 60-90 minutes

Brief Description:

So you assessed your patient and provided excellent medical care - can your documentation back it up? Can it withstand a lawyer's scrutiny, much less be understood by twelve people who don't know how to avoid jury duty? Join us in this entertaining, interactive presentation as we assess and treat a simulated patient, document the call, and then answer the question, "Yeah, but can you defend it?"

Objectives:

1. Discuss the value of thorough documentation.
2. Identify common errors in PCR documentation.
3. Familiarize the EMS provider with courtroom procedure in the event you are required to provide testimony.
4. Identify common lawsuits against EMS providers and explore strategies for avoiding such suits.

Resources Required: LCD projector, computer audio, wireless mouse, wireless microphone