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WHO IS WHO

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Executive Committee



Ann Doll (United States)

Ann Doll, MPA is the Secretariat for the Global Resuscitation Alliance. She is also the Executive Director of the Resuscitation Academy Foundation, an organization created in 2008 as a way for Seattle and King County to share best practices for improving cardiac arrest survival. Her background includes 25 years of program management and patient education.



Freddy Lippert (Europe)

Freddy is a founding member of the European EMS Leadership, the European EMS Congress and The Global Resuscitation Alliance. He has worked for more than 25 years in emergency care, as a clinician, medical director and held the past position as CEO of EMS in Copenhagen, Denmark for 10 years. "I am convinced that IT TAKES A SYSTEM TO SAVE A LIFE".



Fionna Moore (Europe)

Dr Fionna Moore has more than 40 years' experience in the NHS. She is currently the Executive Medical Director of South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust (SECAMB). Fionna has a wealth of experience in emergency care and the ambulance sector having spent many years with London Ambulance Service as Medical Director and latterly, as Chief Executive. She has also been an A&E consultant for 30 years.



Marcus Ong (Asia)

Prof Marcus Ong is a Senior Consultant, Director of Research, and Clinician Scientist, at the Dept of Emergency Medicine in Singapore General Hospital. He is also the Director of Health Services Research Center, SingHealth Services; Professor and Director, Health Services and Systems Research in Duke-NUS Medical School. Prof Ong also serves as Medical Director, Unit for Prehospital Emergency Care and Senior Consultant, Ministry of Health, Hospital Services Division. Finally he is Chairman, Pan Asian Resuscitation Outcomes Study. His research studies focus predominantly on pre-hospital emergency care, medical devices, data science and health services research. His research has addressed issues such as out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, improving ambulance deployment, acute myocardial infarction care and emergency care. He is a leading researcher in Health Services Research and use of Data Science in Healthcare.



Michael Sayre (United States)

Michael Sayre is the Medical Director for Seattle Fire Department and its Medic One program. He is Professor of Emergency Medicine at the University of Washington and an emergency medical services physician with a long standing interest in improving survival from out of hospital cardiac arrest. He was co-chair of the BLS task force for ILCOR during the 2010 Guidelines cycle.



David Waters (Australia & New Zealand)

David is the Chief Executive of Ambulance New Zealand, the Chief Executive of the Council of Ambulance Authorities, Secretariat of the Global Resuscitation Alliance, Director of the Australian Stroke Alliance, and Director of the Global Stroke Taskforce.

Europe



Dave Bywater

Dave joined the Scottish Ambulance Service in 1996, qualifying as a Paramedic in 2001. He has experience working in remote and rural as well as urban areas across Scotland. He has had previous roles as a Paramedic Practitioner, Special Operations Paramedic, Clinical Advisor, Practice placement and Consultant Paramedic, and he is currently the lead Consultant Paramedic for the Scottish Ambulance Service. Dave is also responsible for Paediatric care within the Scottish Ambulance Service.



Douglas A. Chamberlain

Douglas A. Chamberlain is a retired cardiologist who worked in Brighton. He holds Honorary Chairs at the Universities of Cardiff (Resuscitation Medicine) and Brighton and Sussex Medical School (Cardiology). He is currently an Honorary Adviser in Cardiology to two major ambulance services in the UK. He was a founder member of the Resuscitation Council (UK), the European Resuscitation Council, and the International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (first co-chairman).



Fredrik Folke

Fredrik Folke, MD is Professor and Head of Research at EMS Copenhagen, Denmark, with focus on prehospital emergency care, out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, public access defibrillation and acute cardiac care. He has worked in epidemiology for more than a decade with a special focus on cardiac arrest and resuscitation. Besides research, Fredrik works as a senior cardiologist at Copenhagen University Hospital Gentofte, Denmark.



Paul Gowens

Paul Gowens is the Associate Director for Research Development and Innovation with the Scottish Ambulance Service (SAS) and is accountable for strategic leadership across the research development and innovation portfolio. Paul's previous roles include SAS Lead Consultant Paramedic, the most senior paramedic in the service, professional advisor at Scottish Government for EMS provision in Zambia, and Senior Clinical Advisor at the Healthcare Quality and Strategy Unit in the Scottish Government Health & Social Care Directorate. Within these roles, Paul has developed extensive political, strategic and board level experience and has most recently held the positions of the SAS Strategic Commander during Covid-19, and a gold level commander on a number of occasions such as Glasgow European Championships.



Jan-Thorsten Gräsner

Prof. Jan-Thorsten Gräsner, MD, is the Director of the Institute for Emergency Medicine at University Hospital Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. He is the principal investigator of EuReCa ONE, TWO, and THREE and the head of EuReCa, the European Registry of Cardiac Arrest. He is the head of the new German Resuscitation Academy program. Besides research, JT is working as an emergency physician on EMS cars and helicopters.



Siobhán Masterson

Siobhán Masterson PhD FERC is the Irish National Ambulance Service Lead for Clinical Strategy & Evaluation. She is an Honorary Senior Research Lecturer with the National University of Ireland Galway, where she manages a study investigating community first response to OHCA. Siobhán implemented then managed the Irish OHCA registry (OHCAR) for eight years. She has researched OHCA epidemiology since 2013, and is a Study Management Team member with EuReCa – a project of the ERC. Siobhán has recently joined the ILCOR BLS Taskforce as an expert member.



Rok Miklič

Rok Miklič is a 3rd-year medical student at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Maribor in Slovenia. With the team they are setting up an OHCA registry in Slovenia (siohca.um.si) for which they are developing open-source software. They wish to create a system that would be compatible with existing registries and free to implement in countries that do not yet have an OHCA registry.



Cathal O'Donnell

Professor Cathal O'Donnell is the Clinical Director of the National Ambulance Service in the Republic of Ireland. Cathal became NAS Medical Director in 2011 and NAS Clinical Director in 2019. Cathal has completed an MSc in Leadership at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI). In 2017, Cathal was appointed Adjunct Clinical Professor in Emergency Medicine at the Graduate Entry Medical School, University of Limerick.



Luka Petravić

Luka Petravić is a 5th-year medical student at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Maribor in Slovenia. With his team, he is working to set up and pilot an OHCA registry in Slovenia (siohca.um.si). The main goal is to make the software open source and make it compatible with other databases already investigating OHCA.



Stefan Poloczek

Stefan Poloczek has been Medical Director of the Emergency Medical Services in Berlin since 2011 and has worked as an EMT. Stefan Poloczek is an anaesthesiologist and emergency physician and has extensive practical experience in the field of EMS. Stefan Poloczek has worked in management of ADAC Air Rescue, for several years and as head of the division for Infectious Diseases, Emergency Medicine and Emergency Preparedness in Health Care in the State Ministry of Health in Berlin.



Martin Smeekes

Martin is the CEO of EMS North Holland North, Netherlands. He works closely with Rudy Koster on resuscitation research in Amsterdam. Together with Rudy, they developed the model of citizen AED. He is an author and co-author in many scientific papers. Martin won the Public Safety Award in 2010 with Citizen AED in North Holland North; he won the Dutch Business Intelligence Award in 2015 for dashboarding in Call to Balloon.



Steven Short

Steven is a registered nurse with experience in various critical care specialties, including coronary care, high dependency, and emergency medicine. He has a keen interest in cardiac arrest management and spent 10 years as a Resuscitation Officer. Steven helped develop Scotland's national DNACPR policy and has a keen interest in ensuring the avoidance of inappropriate resuscitation attempts on those that would not benefit from CPR. He is a founding member of the Resuscitation Research Group in Edinburgh. Currently, Steven serves as the clinical effectiveness lead for the Scottish Ambulance Service. This position is responsible for the Service's clinical commitments to "OHCA – a Strategy for Scotland". He is a stakeholder in the development of Scotland's system of OHCA response, which doubled survival in four years. He is an active Resuscitation Council (UK) and British Association on Immediate Care Scotland instructor.



Stephen Sollid

Stephen is a Professor of Prehospital Critical Care at University of Stavanger, Norway. He is the Chief Medical Officer of Norwegian Air Ambulance and the Deputy Editor of the Scandinavian Journal of Trauma, Resuscitation and Emergency Medicine.



Jim Ward

Dr Jim Ward, Medical Director of Scottish Ambulance Service, is Chair of the EMS European Congress 2022, being hosted in Glasgow, Scotland. Jim has been Medical Director since 2014 and has responsibility for SAS programs of work including OHCA, Major Trauma, Stroke Care, and Scotland's 'Redesign of Urgent Care' program.

Australia & New Zealand



David Anderson

David Anderson is the Medical Director of Ambulance Victoria—a large jurisdictional ambulance service with a strong focus on research and clinical excellence; an intensivist at The Alfred Hospital Melbourne—a major trauma centre, heart/lung transplant and ECMO referral centre; and an adjunct senior lecturer in the Department of Paramedicine at Monash University. David worked as a paramedic in Auckland, New Zealand before qualifying as a doctor and undertaking postgraduate training in anaesthesia, intensive care medicine, palliative medicine and prehospital and retrieval medicine in Auckland, Sydney and Toronto before settling in Melbourne. His clinical interests are prehospital and retrieval medicine, trauma critical care, EMCO, palliative care and bioethics.



Michelle Murphy ASM

Michelle is the Operations Manager of the Ambulance Victoria Adult Retrieval Service. She is an Intensive Care Paramedic with 27 years' experience across clinical, operational and leadership roles.

Throughout her career she has contributed to research, presentations, and publications focusing on Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest, Resuscitation and improving health outcomes in vulnerable populations.

Michelle is an alumnus of the Resuscitation Academy, supporting the vision of GRA in New Zealand and Australia. She is the Co-chair of the Medical Advisory Board for Life Saving Victoria and past chair of the Australian Resuscitation Council Victoria Branch.



Professor Karen Smith

Professor Karen Smith is the Director of the Ambulance Victoria Centre for Research and Evaluation. She is an adjunct Professor with the Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine and the Department of Paramedicine, Monash University. Prof Smith co-founded and chairs the Victorian Cardiac Arrest Registry (VACAR) and the Victorian Ambulance STEMI Registry. Karen also co-founded the Victorian State Trauma Registry (VSTR) at Monash University and sits on the Steering Committee. She is an epidemiologist with extensive experience in pre-hospital research and clinical trials.

Asia



Noor Baig

Dr Noor Baig is an emergency physician and currently working as an Assistant Professor at the Department of Emergency Medicine at the Aga Khan University Hospital (AKUH) in Karachi, Pakistan. His major interest is in resuscitation specifically in training community members in bystander CPR in case of an out of hospital cardiac arrest. Dr Baig is the physician in lead of the Pakistan Life Savers Program (PLSP) which is a flagship project of the Center of Excellence in Trauma & Emergencies at the AKUH. PLSP is a national movement to make Pakistan a nation of life-savers by training 10 million citizens in the life saving skills of CPR & Bleeding Control.



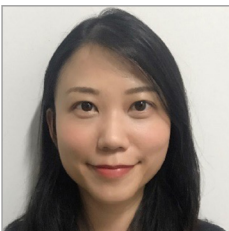
Andrew Ho

Andrew is an Emergency Physician at the Singapore General Hospital, EMS Physician at the national EMS agency, and Assistant Professor at the Duke-NUS Medical School. His clinical interests are in resuscitation and pre-hospital emergency care. His research interests lie in resuscitation, health services and public health. His work integrates methods from clinical epidemiology, population health sciences and implementation science to drive outcomes improvement in patients with sudden cardiac arrest and other emergency conditions.



Yih Yng Ng

Yih Yng Ng is the Chief Medical Officer of the Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) and the Ministry of Home Affairs. He provides medical oversight of the national emergency ambulance services, supports the ministry of health in EMS policy and legislation. Together with Ong, they drive the national EMS strategy and development of the EMS system. Ng also runs the SCDF myResponder mobile app, which allows 995 to alert nearby CPR trained volunteers to cardiac arrest victims and the national public access defibrillator registry to map AEDs and public education of CPR/AED.



Maeve Pek

Maeve Pek is a senior research associate at the Pre-hospital and Emergency Research Centre at Duke-NUS Medical School. She is also the secretariat for the Asian Association for Emergency Medical Services, an international prehospital emergency care advocacy group and the former secretariat for the Pan-Asian Resuscitation Outcomes Study clinical research network. She is currently pursuing her PhD at the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore, with a focus on health-related quality of life of OHCA patients and their caregivers.



Raja Narsing Rao

Dr. Raja Narsing Rao is a Consultant for the Emergency Management Learning Centre GVK EMRI 108 services. He is also an Executive Committee Member of PAROS and a regional faculty member for the American Heart Association. He is an Instructor for International Trauma Life Support / Comprehensive Trauma Life Support- American College of Emergency Physicians. Dr. Rao is a Senior Consultant Anaesthesiologist and critical care specialist at LVP Eye Institute – Hyderabad.



Sattha Riyapan

Dr. Sattha Riyapan is an assistant professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine, Faculty of Medicine Siriraj Hospital, Mahidol University, Thailand. He also works as the director of Siriraj EMS center and the assistant hospital director in Siriraj hospital. Furthermore, he oversees an EMS curriculum for residency training in Thailand and he is developing a prehospital emergency medicine fellowship in Thailand. Currently, he conducts a community-based initiative called the Bangkok-Noi model which aims to develop the Bangkok-Noi district to become a model of the community emergency response in Thailand. He also is a co-founder of the Thai OHCA network which aims to encourage systematic OHCA data collection in the country.



Sang Do Shin

Sang Do Shin is a Professor of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Seoul National University College of Medicine and Hospital, and a medical director of Seoul Metropolitan Fire Department. He has served as a past chairman, Asian Emergency Medical Service Council, a co-chair, Pan-Asian Resuscitation Outcome Study, and chair of Pan-Asian Trauma Outcomes Study Research Network. He has published articles on Emergency Medical Services Medicine, Trauma, Disaster Medicine, and Resuscitation Science.



Situ Wangmin

Dr. Wangmin is a Consultant in the department of Emergency Medicine at Ng Teng Fong General Hospital in Singapore, also an EMS fellow under the Unit for Prehospital Emergency Care (UPEC). She is honored to join the GRA meeting, and is eager to learn and take initiatives to improve prehospital cardiac arrest care.



Alexander White

Alexander White is the lead for Research and Policy at the Unit for Prehospital Emergency Care (UPEC). UPEC is a national entity located under the Department of Emergency Medicine at Singapore General Hospital, and operates as a resource to Singapore's Ministry of Health. His current project is a prospective real-world intervention study of the implementation of a community-based CPR+AED training initiative.

United States



Elizabeth Froelich

Elizabeth Froelich has been an Ambulance Commander with the Chicago Fire Department for the past 19 years. For the past three years, she has not only served as the Data Manager for Illinois Heart Rescue, but Elizabeth is also the Illinois State Coordinator for the Cares Registry. Elizabeth has also been an EMS educator for the past 15 years, working as a Lead Instructor and has lectured on pre-hospital care in the United States.



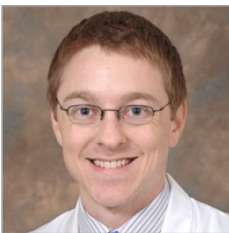
Marc Gautreau

An Emergency Physician for more than 20 years, Dr. Gautreau moved to the San Francisco Bay Area to assume leadership of the new Division of Pre-Hospital Care at Stanford University Department of Emergency Medicine in 2017. Dr. Gautreau currently serves as Medical Director of the San Jose Fire Department, Santa Clara County Fire Department and the NASA/Ames Research Center Fire Department.



Clayton Kazan

Dr. Clayton Kazan is an Emergency and EMS physician and the Medical Director of the Los Angeles County Fire Department. His department is the 4th busiest EMS provider agency in the United States, serving a population of 4.1 million people and providing care for more than 360,000 EMS patients annually. He is a fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians and the Academy of EMS, and he is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA.



Andrew Latimer

Andrew Latimer is the associate medical director and flight physician for Airlift Northwest, the academic air medical retrieval program that services Washington State and Alaska, as well as the associate director of the University of Washington EMS medicine fellowship. He is an EMS physician in Seattle and works closely with the Seattle Fire Department Medic One program. He is an Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine at the University of Washington and works clinically at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.



Michael Levy

Michael Levy M.D, FAEMS, FACEP, FACP, is an EMS physician based in Anchorage Alaska. He is the Chief Medical Officer for Anchorage Areawide EMS and the Medical Director for the Anchorage Fire Department, EMS Medical Director for the Kenai Peninsula Borough, the Medical Director for Emergency Programs for the State of Alaska, and he proudly serves as the medical director for a number of other Alaska EMS agencies. He is the President of NAEMSP (2021, 2022) He is the Chief Medical Advisor for Stryker Emergency Care and the Alaska Division medical advisor for the National Ski Patrol. He is the Medical Director for the AMR IMSA motorsport safety team. He has been involved in EMS from from Chicago to the Navajo Nation and for the last two decades in Alaska. He has numerous medical publications with a professional focus on resuscitation. His goal in EMS is to enable providers to improve the outcome of their patients through personal empowerment via education, training, and evidence-based practice.



Bryan McNally

Bryan McNally, MD, MPH, is a Professor of Emergency Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia, & Executive Director of the CARES (Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival) <https://mycares.net>—a CDC/Emory founded QI program to increase survival for out-of-hospital cardiac arrest (OHCA) in the US. He helped establish the Pan Asian Resuscitation Outcomes Study (PAROS) through sharing the CARES software platform for data collection, reporting and technical expertise. A Board member of the Asian EMS Council and Visiting Professor at the Duke NUS in Singapore and at Bach Mai Hospital in Hanoi, Vietnam. He has been fortunate to work on a USAID grant to advance EM in the Republic of Georgia training the first residency class.



Courtney Schwerin

Courtney Schwerin was onboarded as the Executive Director for Illinois Heart Rescue (ILHR) in early 2022. ILHR is based out of Chicago with a mission to improve cardiac arrest outcomes in both rural and urban communities across the state of Illinois. Courtney brings a background in public health to her new role and is passionate about health equity and community education.



Kevin G. Seaman

Kevin G. Seaman, MD, FAEMS is the Medical Director of the Maryland Resuscitation Academy. As Executive Director of MIEMSS, the state EMS agency in Maryland, in 2016, he implemented the first statewide performance measure with patient outcomes using CARES - improving survival from cardiac arrest. After attending the Resuscitation Academy (RA) in Seattle, WA, Dr. Seaman successfully implemented techniques to improve survival in Maryland, the mid-Atlantic region and the East Coast of the United States.



Kimberly Vellano

Kimberly Vellano, MPH, is Director of Operations and Strategic Planning for the Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (CARES), which covers a population of 170 million in the United States. She is responsible for day-to-day operations of the registry with a focus on expansion, training, and data quality.

Partners



Joyce Kong

Joyce (So Yeon) Kong, MPH, PhD, is Senior R&D Scientist at Strategic Research, Laerdal Medical (Stavanger, Norway). She is trained as an epidemiologist and her research studies focus predominately on resuscitation (out-of-hospital cardiac arrest and CPR training), trauma, data science, and global health. Joyce has previously worked with World Health Organization (IARC), US Naval Health Research Center, and Seoul National University Hospital (SNUH). She is currently coordinating the GLObal Access to Lifesaving Skills training (GOALS) project.



Tore Laerdal

Tore Laerdal is Executive Director of the Laerdal Foundation, chairman of Laerdal Medical and Laerdal Global Health. In recent years he has focused on helping reduce maternal and newborn mortality in low resource settings. For this purpose Laerdal Global Health has partnered with USAID, NIH, Save the Children, the American Academy of Pediatrics and others in the Helping Babies Breathe alliance and the Survive & Thrive alliance.



Helge Myklebust

Helge has been with Laerdal for 32 years, the past 20 as Director of Research. He has contributed to Acting on the call, to CPR Lifelinks in USA, to HeartRescue China and to Sammen redder vi Liv in Norway. His team is engaged in international research and development to save lives at birth and from sudden cardiac arrest.



Stine Strandkjaer

Stine Strandkjaer is Head of Secretariat at the Danish Resuscitation Council with responsibility and coordination of the implementation of Resuscitation Academy in Denmark, Restart a Heart Day and the annual report for the Danish Cardiac Arrest Registry in collaboration with the five regional Danish EMS organizations.



Grethe Thomas

Grethe Thomas R.N., B.A., M.A., is Project Director at the Danish Foundation TrygFonden, responsible for implementation and development of the Danish AED Network, the Hearrunner Project and the campaigns connected to the projects www.hjertestarter.dk/english/you-can-save-lives in collaboration with the five regional Danish EMS organizations. Grethe is a board member of The Danish Resuscitation Council www.genoplivning.dk and www.redhjernen.dk with whom TrygFonden has a strategic collaboration.

Grethe has nearly 40 years of experience in resuscitation and implementation of projects. As a Medical Anthropologist her publications are mainly in the field of applied cultural analysis.