

The New Haven Sponsor Hospital Area Response Physician TEAM provides immediate EMS physician field response to support emergency responders throughout the twelve town area served by the New Haven Sponsor Hospital Program.

The team was formed following a complex extraction/rescue of a commercial nursery worker in the spring of 2001 at which two EMS physicians provided assistance. The team was granted a certificate of operation as an ALS agency by the state Department of Public Health on July 1st 2002 (#C093P03), and the team's first response vehicle was licensed by the state in August 2002.

The team is currently staffed by six EMS physicians, with backup from three physician assistants. All team members receive formal training in the following areas:

1. National Incident Management System
2. Hazardous Materials (First Responder-Operations level or higher)
3. Emergency Vehicle Operations

The team is dispatched by South-Central CMED. Contact CMED by phone or Med 10 to request a response, or to speak with a team member. CMED policy requires that the Incident Commander authorize the request. The responding team member(s) will report to the IC upon arrival for assignment, accountability, and reporting responsibility, and will remain available at the scene until released through the command structure.



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### **New Haven SHARP Team**

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## Response Vehicles

The team utilizes a 2004 Ford Explorer and a 2005 Ford Explorer for emergency responses. In addition to complete ALS equipment, the vehicle carries personal protective equipment for team members, surgical equipment, and additional medications. As an all-volunteer service, team members may also respond periodically in their personal vehicles. An ETA and all pertinent communications will be provided by CMED.

## Surgical Backup

Protocols are in place with the trauma specialists at HSR and YNHH for field responses of surgeons if needed for certain types of surgical extrications.

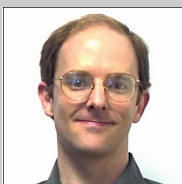
## Responses

The SHARP Team is available to respond to any type of emergency incident, and is designed to provide medical oversight and assistance at:

1. Multiple casualty incidents
2. Complex or difficult extrications / rescues
3. Greater alarm fires
4. Hazardous materials incidents

Team members can assist with triage, treatment, logistics, communications, and rehab. A primary purpose of the team is to provide for the safety and medical needs of emergency personnel operating at incident scenes.

## TEAM MEMBERS



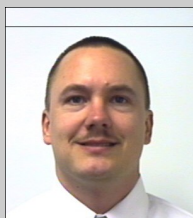
**David Cone, MD**  
(10-R-7)

- ◆ SHARP Team Chief
- ◆ NHSHP EMD Medical Director
- ◆ Firefighter II, North Madison Volunteer Fire Company
- ◆ YNHH ED Attending Physician



**Carin Van Gelder, MD (10-R-1)**

- ◆ NHSHP MIC Medical Director
- ◆ Firefighter II, Branford Fire Dept.
- ◆ YNHH ED Attending Physician

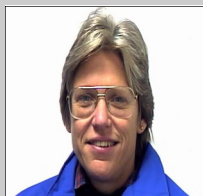


**Albert Gambino, PA-C, EMT-P (5-R10)**

- ◆ Director, NHSHP
- ◆ Firefighter I
- ◆ EMS-I
- ◆ Emergency Medicine PA, HSR

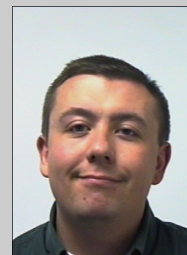
- ◆ HSR ED Attending Physician
- ◆ NHSHP Education Medical Director

**Adam Waltman, MD, EMT-P (10-R-2)**



**Sandy Bugucki, MD, PhD (10-H-1)**

- ◆ YNHH ED Attending Physician
- ◆ Firefighter I and Fire Surgeon, Branford Fire Dept.



**Kevin Burns, PA-C, EMT-P (5-R-11)**

- ◆ YNHH EMS Coordinator
- ◆ Emergency Medicine PA, YNHH



**Don MacMillan, PA-C, EMT-P (5-R-6)**

- ◆ Emergency Manager, YNHH
- ◆ Deputy Chief and Firefighter II, North Madison Volunteer Fire Company
- ◆ Emergency Medicine PA, YNHH



**Derek Isenberg, MD, EMT-P (10-R-3)**

- ◆ Yale EMS Fellow
- ◆ YNHH ED Attending Physician



**Adam Landman, MD (10-R-9)**

- ◆ YNHH ED Attending Physician
- ◆ RWJ Clinical Scholar Research Fellow
- ◆ Firefighter I