



RURAL EMERGENCY & CRITICAL CARE PRACTICE COURSE

Saturday, February 21 - Sunday, February 22, 2026

Mercer University School of Medicine • Savannah, GA

1250 E 66th St, Savannah, GA 31404

DRAFT AGENDA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

3:00 – 5:00 PM Exhibitor Set-up

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7:15 AM Registration Opens

7:30 AM Coffee, Light Refreshments, & Visit Exhibits
Mercer School of Medicine Atrium

7:55 – 8:00 AM Welcome

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM General Sessions
Mercer School of Medicine Auditorium

8:00 – 9:00 AM Expanding Rural Trauma Readiness- Tips and Tricks for Special Populations
Erica Mabes, DO

9:00 – 9:45 AM Walking on Water: High-Stakes Care for Cardiogenic Pulmonary Edema
Nick Schoenmann, MD
Eric Zevallos, MD

9:45 – 10:15 AM Break & Visit Exhibits

10:15 – 10:45 AM Fractures: Splint This!
Lee LaRavia, DO

10:45 – 11:15 AM "I Go Blind" - An Ophthalmologic Emergency - Painful and Painless Vision Loss
Hunter Faircloth, MD

11:15 – 12:00 PM Rural Trauma Through a Different Lens: Special Populations, Special Challenges
Patrick McDougal, MD
Jon Allen, MD

12:00 – 12:30 PM If You Can't Perfusion, You Lose: Vasopressors and the Fine Art of Not Letting Them Die
Samantha Mahon, MD

12:30 – 1:30 PM Lunch & Learn
High Flow Nasal Oxygen vs Non-invasive Ventilation /
Improving Recognition and Management of Hepatic Encephalopathy
James Williams, DO



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Pre-Registration Required to Participate in Labs

1:30 – 2:15 PM	First Lab
2:15 – 2:30 PM	Visit Exhibits/Rotate
2:30 – 3:15 PM	Second Lab
3:15 – 3:30 PM	Visit Exhibits/Rotate
3:30 – 4:15 PM	Third Lab
3:30 – 5:30 PM	ACLS Recertification Course - <i>location</i>
4:15 – 4:30 PM	Visit Exhibits

Airway Mastery – Classroom A

- Adult Airway Management
- Video Laryngoscopy

Pediatric Emergencies – ECR

- Pediatric Airway Management
- Pediatric Wound Care

Circulation & Access - DLR

- Arterial Line and Intraosseous Access
- Hemorrhage Control (with Teleflex Representative)

Trauma & Ortho – Sim Lab

- Orthopedic Splinting
- Cricothyrotomy (“Cric”)

Tabletop Simulation & Ultrasound - Auditorium

- Tabletop ACLS Exercise
- Hands-On Ultrasound

6:30 - 8:00 PM GCEP Rural 6th Annual “Cases at the Coast”

Service Brewing Company - 574 Indian St, Savannah, GA 31401

You won't want to miss this session!! Join your colleagues and friends for this fun quiz show—win some prizes and get some CME!

****There will be CME Sign-in Sheets to document your attendance****



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8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	General Sessions Mercer School of Medicine Auditorium
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Pediatric Syncope, Chest Pain, and Return to Sports Mohammad Khan, MD
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Pharmacide/Agritox Emily Kiernan, MD
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Pediatric Trauma Mark Griffiths, MD
9:30 – 10:00 AM	Literature Review 2026 Dan McCollum, MD
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Break & Visit Exhibits
10:30 – 11:30 AM	(POCUS-augmented) Approach to the physiologically difficult airway Ric Solis, DO
11:30 – 12:00 PM	Brain on Pause: Cases of Altered Mental Status Max Bursey, DO
12:00 – 2:00 PM	PALS Recertification Course – <i>location</i>
2:00 PM	Adjourn

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

The Southern Alliance for Physician Specialties is accredited by the Medical Association of Georgia to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Southern Alliance for Physician Specialties designates this live activity for a **maximum** of 15.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.