



## **Course Overview**

The STN TOPIC course is taught to all members of the trauma system team who participate in the

on-going assessment, evaluation and improvement of trauma care.

The Society of Trauma Nurses has developed the "Trauma Outcomes and Performance Improvement Course" in response to the need for education and better understanding of the Performance Improvement process in trauma care. TOPIC focuses on the ongoing assessment of the continuum of trauma care with a structured review of process and discussions of strategies to monitor trauma patient outcomes.

The TOPIC course is taught in a one day interactive Modular Format, customized to best meet the needs of the individual trauma care provider participants who have varying levels of experience with trauma performance improvement. The course offers practical application for all levels of trauma centers, from entry level to mature phase of program development. The Modules are taught with a focus on didactic, operational definitions, sample tools, case study examples and take home points.

## **Course Modules**

- Performance Improvement Patient Safety Model
  & Conceptual Plan
- Committee Structure
- Audit Filters, Core Measures, and Variances in Care
- Event Identification and Levels of Review
- Data Management: Supporting the Trauma PIPS Process
- Trauma PIPS Reports
- Peer Review Determination and Confidentiality
- Action Plan Development and Implementation
- Event Resolution, Institutional Links and Outcome Improvements
- Vignettes

## **CE Information**

Society of Trauma Nurses is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This activity has been awarded 8.25 contact hours.

The University of Kentucky College of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 8.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.