

The content and skills presented in this course are designed to assist clinicians in providing emergency care for trauma patients. Though the concept of the *golden hour* is not a fixed period of 60 minutes, it emphasizes the urgency necessary for successful treatment of injured patients. This concept symbolizes the positive impact of rapid assessment and proper management on the morbidity and mortality associated with injury. The ATLS® course provides the essential information and skills for clinicians to identify and treat life-threatening and potentially life-threatening injuries under the extreme intellectual and emotional pressures associated with the care of these patients. The ATLS Course is applicable to clinicians in a variety of situations. The ATLS Course supplies its learners with a safe and reliable method for the immediate treatment of injured patients and the basic knowledge necessary to:

- Assess a patient's condition rapidly and accurately.
- Resuscitate and stabilize patients according to priority.
- Determine whether the specific management needs of a patient exceed the resources of a facility and/or the capability of a clinician.
- Arrange appropriately for a patient's interhospital or intrahospital transfer.
- Ensure that optimal care is continually provided, and the level of care does not deteriorate at any point during evaluation, resuscitation, or transfer.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completing the ATLS Course, the participant will be able to:

- Practice the concepts and principles of initial assessment through the primary and secondary patient surveys.
- Establish management priorities in a simulated trauma situation.
- Initiate primary and secondary management necessary for the emergency management of acute life-threatening conditions in a simulated patient.
- Apply the key principles of effective team function and communication in a simulated trauma scenario.
- Practice primary and secondary initial assessment surveys of a patient with simulated injuries.
- Perform control of simulated life-threatening external hemorrhage.
- Evaluate and manage airway patency and initiate assisted ventilation in a simulated trauma patient.
- Demonstrate the procedure of surgical/incisional airway.
- Identify clinical and radiographic signs of thoracic injuries.
- Describe the steps for a needle or finger thoracostomy and chest tube insertion for pleural decompression in a simulated scenario.
- Assess and treat a simulated patient in shock with recognition of life-threatening hemorrhage.
- Perform intraosseous access in a simulated patient.
- Apply an external pelvic compression device for hemorrhage due to pelvic fracture in a simulated trauma patient.
- Evaluate the abdomen for hemorrhage with either peritoneal lavage or ultrasound (FAST).
- Evaluate and treat a simulated patient with brain injury, including use of the Glasgow Coma Scale score.
- Demonstrate protection of the spinal cord and radiographic and clinical evaluation of spine injuries in a simulated trauma scenario.
- Perform musculoskeletal trauma assessment and management in a simulated scenario.
- Apply the principles of trauma assessment of simulated older adults, pediatric patients, and pregnant patients.

HOW TO REGISTER

Fill out the registration form and mail it along with payment as directed on the registration form. Applications are accepted on a first-received basis. Class size is limited. Please register as early as possible.

REGISTRATION FEE

Fee includes course materials, parking, refreshments, and lunch on day 1.

Two-day Student Course/1.5 Hybrid Course

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| Attending | \$1000 |
| APP, resident, & medical student | \$850 |

One-day Refresher Course

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| All students | \$850 |
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CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations 31 days or more, prior to the start of the course, will be subject to a \$150.00 administrative fee. No refunds will be issued for cancellations within 30 days of the course.

To register for any of the courses, or if you would like more information, please contact Bronson Trauma Services at (269)-341-7959 or Beacon Trauma Services at (269)-226-5668.

(physician only)

Documentation attesting to the recognition of satisfactory course completion will be issued to ATLS® course participants by the Michigan Committee on trauma of the American College of Surgeons. This verification is valid for four years.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Attending <input type="checkbox"/> Resident <input type="checkbox"/> Non-physician | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Any special dietary needs? _____ | | |
| Signature _____ | | Date _____ |
| (I agree to the cancellation policy) | | |
| Include Copy of ATLS card to register for refresher course. | | |
| Have you taken ATLS before? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO | | |
| Send registration to: Bronson Trauma Services 601 John Street, Box 67 Kalamazoo, MI 49007 | Send registration to: Beacon Trauma Services 1521 Gull Rd, ETC Mgmt Office Kalamazoo, MI 49048 | |
| Phone: (269)-341-7959 Fax: (269)-343-8578 Evea@bronsonhq.org | Phone: (269)-226-5668 Fax: (269)-329-2226 Sbossewaarde@beaconhealthsystem.org | |
| Bronson Courses | Beacon Courses | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 19 | <input type="checkbox"/> June 23 & 24, resident course | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 23 & 24 | <input type="checkbox"/> June 25 & 26, resident course | |
| Make check payable to: Bronson Trauma Services ATLS | Make check payable to: Beacon Trauma Services ATLS | |
| Or pay by credit card: | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover <input type="checkbox"/> Amex | | |
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CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION CREDITS:

The ATLS 11th Edition will now offer a choice for courses to be CME accredited or Non-CME accredited. Coordinators will be able to make this determination when registering their course in the Course Management System. The below outlines the differing credit amounts per ATLS 11 CME accredited course:

ATLS Hybrid Course*

- 1.5-day (Minimum 16.00 CME, Maximum 39.00 CME; 10 Self-Assessment; Minimum 16.00, Maximum 39.00 Trauma Regulatory Mandates)

ATLS Refresher Course*

- .5-day (Minimum 5.00 CME, Maximum 32.00 CME; 10 Self-Assessment; Minimum 5.00, Maximum 32.00 Trauma Regulatory Mandates)
- 1-day (Minimum 5.00 CME, Maximum 32.00 CME; 10 Self-Assessment; Minimum 5.00, Maximum 32.00 Trauma Regulatory Mandates)

Southwest Michigan Area

Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS)

Beacon Hospital:

June 23 & 24, 2026, Resident Course

June 25 & 26, 2026, Resident Course

Bronson Methodist Hospital:

March 19, 2026, Refresher Course

April 23 & 24, 2026, 1.5 Day Hybrid
Student Course

Co-sponsored by:

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