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COMBAT MEDIC/CORPSMAN
TACTICAL COMBAT CASUALTY CARE

MODULE 04:
PRINCIPLES
AND APPLICATION
OF TACTICAL
FIELD CARE
SKILL INSTRUCTIONS

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COMMUNICATION OF CASUALTY INFORMATION INSTRUCTION

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| TASK: | Communicate casualty information |
| CONDITION: | Given a Tactical Field Care setting, and a casualty that has sustained one or more injuries |
| STANDARD: | Communicate casualty information in accordance with Service and/or unit standard operating procedures |
| EQUIPMENT: | Casualty's DD Form 1380, 9-Line Report, communication equipment, paper, and writing instrument |

PERFORMANCE MEASURES: step-by-step instructions

- 01 Communicate:** Transmit the 9-Line Medical Evacuation (MEDEVAC) information in the proper sequence (see Prepare and Transmit 9-Line MEDEVAC and Mechanism of Injury, Injuries, Symptoms and Treatment Report instructions).
- 02** Communicate with the **casualty**, if possible. Encourage, reassure, and explain care.
- 03** Communicate with **tactical leadership** as soon as possible and throughout casualty treatment as needed. Provide leadership with casualty status and evacuation requirements to assist with coordinating evacuation assets.
- 04** Communicate with the **evacuation system** (the Patient Evacuation Coordination Cell) to arrange for tactical evacuation.
- 05** Communicate with **medical providers** on the evacuation asset (if possible) and relay mechanism of injury, injuries sustained, signs/symptoms, and treatments rendered. Provide additional information as appropriate.
- 06 Document:** Record all findings and treatments on a DD Form 1380 TCCC Casualty Card and attach it to the casualty.

TACTICAL FIELD CARE CASUALTY COLLECTION POINT (CCP)

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| TASK: | Consolidate and triage casualties in a CCP |
| CONDITION: | Triage casualties while establishing a CCP in Tactical Field Care |
| STANDARD: | Successfully establish a CCP for the rapid triage, assessment, treatment, and staging of casualty(s) for evacuation; perform all steps and performance measures without causing further injury to the casualty(s) |
| EQUIPMENT: | Appropriate marking materials (chem lights, signs, etc.), medical equipment (aid bag, etc.), litters |

PERFORMANCE MEASURES: step-by-step instructions

NOTE: CCPs may vary depending on the tactical situation, operational plans, and unit-specific tactics, techniques, and procedures.

NOTE: Consider body substance isolation.

NOTE: If a Combat Lifesaver is available, direct them to assist.

- 01** Select the site. Should:
 1. Be reasonably close to the fight.
 2. Be near areas where casualties are most likely to occur.
 3. Be close to natural terrain “lines of drift”.
 4. Provide cover and concealment from enemy threat.
 5. Have access to evacuation assets and routes (foot, vehicle, aircraft, boat).
 6. Allow for expansion if the casualty load increases.
- 02** Assign responsibilities for nonmedical and medical personnel supporting the CCP.
- 03** Establish the CCP with day/night marking systems.
 1. Color-coded signs during daylight hours.
 2. Color-coded chemical lights at night.
- 04** If appropriate and feasible, establish a separate triage/treatment area with day and night marking systems.
- 05** Establish a killed in action area away from the other casualties.

NOTE: Leadership will establish casualty flow and everything **outside** the CCP. Medical personnel are responsible for everything **inside** the CCP.
- 06** Establish casualty movement flow for entry and exit of the CCP for tracking and access control.

NOTE: This location is where casualties are triaged.
- 07** Triage casualties based on treatment priorities:
 1. Immediate
 2. Delayed
 3. Minimal
 4. Expectant
- 08** Establish a Tactical Evacuation Point staging area in accordance with unit policies.
- 09** Execute medical evacuation by precedence:
 1. **Urgent:** within 2 hours
 - a. Loaded onto asset **last** so they are **first off** at the medical destination
 2. **Priority:** within 4 hours
 - a. Loaded onto asset before “urgent”
 3. **Routine:** within 24 hours
 - a. Loaded onto asset first
- 10** Establish a medical resupply area.
- 11** Transition to Tactical Evacuation Care, if appropriate.

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