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ATLS 11 Will Launch in August

The launch of the 11th edition of the Advanced Trauma Life Support[®] (ATLS[®]) program scheduled for August—is on schedule. Importantly, ATLS 11 update courses are available now. Coordinators, Educators, Course Directors, and Instructors must complete the online update course prior to teaching/coordinating ATLS 11. Exceptions will be made for those conducting in-person update(s), which must be approved ahead of time. Even if conducting an in-person update, you are encouraged to still access the update course, as you will be able to take advantage of important resources such as online modules, videos, policy guide, and more.

Please note:

- 1. Required content is loaded, however, additional materials (e.g., videos, online modules, policy guide) are still being finalized and will be added as they are complete.
- Successful completion of this update course will be documented in the content management system (CMS) as an 11th edition tag on your profile, once ATLS 11 launches in August.

Contact traumaeducation@facs.org with any questions.

Pilot Courses Are Happening

Pilot courses for ATLS 11 currently are underway and have been met with great success, yielding valuable feedback to help shape an outstanding teaching and learning experience. Thank you to all who are participating. See photos below of the first pilot which took place in Norway and was directed by Region 15 Chief Joakim Jorgensen, MD, PhD, FACS.



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Price Increase for Trauma Education Is Coming

The ACS has been able to maintain stable pricing on trauma education resources over the past few years, but due to general inflation and rising operational costs, a 4% increase will be applied to all ACS Trauma Education offerings, effective sometime after July. The most updated ATLS 11 pricing can be found on the ACS website. This adjustment helps us continue to deliver the quality you expect, while we remain committed to offering exceptional trauma education products. The Trauma Education Team thanks you for being a valued part of our community.

TEAM Course Is Part of Battalion-Wide Trauma Training

Last month, the Alpha Surgical Company, 1st Medical Battalion participated in a Trauma Evaluation and Management[™] (TEAM) course as part of their monthly Battalion Day exercise. Approximately 250 sailors and Navy officers, including corpsmen, nurses, physician assistants, and physicians successfully completed the course. Course Director Jay Yelon reported that "Participation was exceptional, and the positive feedback indicated that the course provided a level playing field to build upon as the Battalion

prepares for combat casualty care. It also offered evidence that established civilian courses can provide established educational offerings for military medical teams."



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New Trauma Education Webinar Series Starts Next Month

A new Trauma Education webinar series—intended to promote collaboration and community while better supporting the ATLS friends and family—will launch in June. The webinar series, which is free of charge, will include sessions throughout June, September, and December (at 10:00 am and 4:00 pm CT) that are geared toward Instructors/Course Directors and Coordinators separately. Review the schedule below and register today to secure your spot.

- **June 3:** Faculty Development—Transitioning to ATLS 11: Lessons Learned from the Pilots and Beyond
- June 10: Trauma Ed Course Administration—Getting to Know the ACS LMS: A Learning Management System Overview
- September 2: Faculty Development—A Special Set of Skills: Brushing Up on Teaching Skills
- September 9: Trauma Ed Course Administration—The Fine Print: What's New in the ATLS 11 Policies
- December 2: Faculty Development—How to Promote Learner Engagement
- **December 9:** Trauma Ed Course Administration—Beyond ATLS: Yes, There Are Other Trauma Ed Courses

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Course Request Authorizations for ATLS 11 Must Wait

Given the upcoming launch of ATLS 11, Course Request Authorizations (CRAs) for ATLS 11 are not being accepted at this time. Once ATLS 11 is launched and available in the CMS, an option will appear on the CRA to indicate whether the requested course is ATLS 10 or ATLS 11. In addition, after ATLS 11 is up and running, dates can be identified, and planning can begin for ATLS 11 courses post-August. If you have questions, contact traumaeducation@facs.org.

Let's Talk Audit!

Tax season is over, but it's still the perfect time to review your ATLS site details on the CMS. It is very important to have the correct email address, phone number, and location listed, as this is the information potential learners will see when trying to register for a course. Additionally, it is good practice to review the list of linked Coordinators and their profiles to ensure that the most current information is included. These simple steps will lead to more efficient communication and decrease the potential for technological challenges. Contact traumaeducation@facs.org with any questions or issues.

LMS Passes—Individual and Site—Are Available

When ordering learning management system (LMS) passes through the CMS, you will be given the option to purchase them as individual passes or site passes. The functionality of these passes remains the same regardless of the choice, but the selection determines who can assign the LMS passes to enrolled learners. If individual passes are selected, the LMS passes will be added to the purchasing Site Coordinator's pass bank. If site passes are selected, they will be added to the site bank chosen, allowing all coordinators linked to the site to assign passes to enrolled learners. If you are linked to multiple sites, take care in selecting the appropriate one when making a purchase. For questions, contact traumaeducation@facs.org.

Check on Payment Status via Email

If you want an update on an order in which payment was made by check, provide the check number and date the payment cleared your financial institution to traumaeducation@facs.org. The Trauma Education team will send you an update via email. Please note that once a check is received, processing takes 7-10 business days, and it's always helpful to include the invoice with the check to prevent any additional delays.

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Save the Date: Global Symposium 2026

March 13–15 in Birmingham, Alabama

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