



Lessons Learned from a Tactical Medic during Civil Unrest

During the past year, compounding factors led to numerous cases of civil unrest throughout our country. As these events continued to unfold, it became overwhelmingly apparent that smaller towns, cities, and communities are not immune to this form of an incident. Civil unrest can rapidly tax even the most robust of systems. During such times, public response leaders can become engrossed in the initial response, leading to oversight of simple, yet imperative, tasks and concepts. While some of these concepts may initially seem menial, they have the ability to build a foundation for favorable outcomes during civil unrest.

The South Carolina Fire Academy is offering a free, two-hour virtual workshop, *Lessons Learned from a Tactical Medic during Civil Unrest*, which brings forward six concepts from a “boots on the ground” perspective after the 2016 civil unrest in Charlotte, NC. These concepts will range from changing the mindset that preparation isn’t always key, to the importance of morale. This presentation will provide attendees a different view of preparing for and responding to civil unrest. The lessons in this presentation have been developed to take a macro-level approach, with the intent of them being applicable to all levels and vocations who may be called upon to respond to any form of mass gathering or civil unrest.

DATE: Thursday, May 20, 2021

TIME: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

REGISTER: 8687-22-001 <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=72351>

NOTE: Students who are pre-registered, and attend the workshop, receive SCFA transcript credit. If you are unable to attend the live event, it will be recorded and posted for viewing at your convenience. However, if viewing the recorded workshop, SCFA transcript credit is not available.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER



Malcolm Leirmoe is the Deputy Director for the York County Office of Emergency Management. He has 18 years of experience in first response, ranging from the fire service to tactical medicine, with majority of his career being spent in Emergency Medical Services. Prior to coming to York County, Malcolm worked for Mecklenburg EMS Agency (Medic) in North Carolina. While at Medic, he worked as a paramedic and tactical paramedic; providing tactical emergency medical support for the various Special Weapons and Tactics teams throughout Mecklenburg County, NC. He finished his time with Medic working in Education and Quality Assurance. He holds a Bachelor’s of Science from Western Carolina University and a Master’s in Public Administration from Clemson University.

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