## **Veterinary Tactical Group**

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Presents:

## **Tactical Canine Casualty Care**

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Hosted by: Beverly Hills Fire Department 455 N. Redford Dr, Beverly Hills, CA 90210



When a working dog goes down, every second counts in providing lifesaving care, and in many environments, veterinary care may be hours to days away. Whether law enforcement, military, or search and rescue oriented, canine handlers, tactical medics, and veterinary personnel supporting tactical canine programs in the field must have more than basic canine first-aid or veterinary clinical skills to give a critically injured working dog the best chance for survival.

Tactical Canine Casualty Care is an intensive, hands-on, scenario-based training course that covers management of the critical ill or injured working dog in the tactical or operational environment of unstable or hostile situations, and how to ensure the best emergency veterinary care for these teams. Based on the principles of human tactical medicine, adapting TCCC/TECC guidelines to the canine patient, this course accommodates the participant's existing medical and tactical skillset and is appropriate for canine handlers, tactical medics, and veterinary personnel. Scenario and situational-based training moves these didactic topics into the operational environment, covering all aspects of care from care under fire, remote and wilderness care, to veterinary support.

## **Topics covered include:**

Management of massive hemorrhage, airway obstruction, and respiratory compromise Penetrating abdominal and chest wounds (gunshot, stabbing, impalement, fragmentary/blast injury)
Blunt trauma
Head trauma
Heat Injury
Orthopedic/extremity wounds
Gastric dilation-volvulus
Cold and heat injuries
Critical care transport

**Mechanism of Injury:** The topics above are presented referencing actual cases with the following mechanism of injury: Gunshot wounds, blast injury, vehicular trauma, animal attacks, stabbing, falls, impalement, heat injury and GDV in the operational environment.

## Hands-on skills labs: (Taught to the level appropriate for the individual's scope of care)

Chest seals and occlusive bandages

IV, SC, and IO catheterization and fluid therapy

Needle decompression of tension pneumothorax/tube thoracotomy

Endotracheal intubation

Surgical airway

Patient packaging and transport on multiple evacuation platforms

Patient assessment and treatment drills, MASCAL management

Pain control and field anesthesia

Bandaging and minor wound care.

**REGISTRATION:** \$425 registration fee includes course materials and certificate of attendance for 16 contact hours. EMS providers will receive BLS CAT 2 CEU for this course.

We accept purchase orders from government agencies.

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VTG Instructors: VTG instructors are veterinarians, veterinary technicians, tactical medics, and canine handlers with years of experience in military and civilian law enforcement special operations canine and medical units. They share years of experience treating critically injured dogs in the tactical environment in this training to ensure this is not "just another canine first-aid class."