

Brighton & Sussex Medico-Chirurgical Society lecture



Dr Rob Galloway

Event Medicine - The non sexy side of Pre-Hospital Medicine

Thursday 4th April 2019

7pm Audrey Emerton Building

Ground Floor Lecture Theatre

Rob has been a Consultant in Emergency Medicine (EM) at BSUH NHS trust since 2011 and first worked here in 2001. He leads for undergraduate EM education at Brighton and Sussex Medical School. He is a year five Subdean and an honorary senior lecturer.

His main medical interest is in human factors & multidisciplinary education for improving safety and patient care. He runs courses for Health Education England in this area. In addition he has co-authored two books on critical appraisal and runs courses in this area as well as writing papers and book chapters on optimising successful cardiac arrests.

To try and save his sanity he took an interest in rostering and now is involved with the College of EM on developing sustainable rostering in EM and has developed an on line rostering tool which is being used by multiple trusts.

Rob has been involved in Sports and Event medicine since he started working down on the south coast. He helped set up the medical services at the new AMEX stadium and is now Medical Director of the stadium, which has won multiple awards for the care provided after having had 6 successful cardiac arrest survivors out of 6. In 2002 he took on the role of Medical Director of the Brighton Marathon. Alongside the medical team (and deputies David Bowen, Rachael Grimaldi and Carrie Weller), he has helped develop the marathon into the second biggest in the UK with a fantastic reputation for the medical care for runners including the first availability of pre hospital ECMO in the UK. He also runs the annual Brighton Marathon Medical Conference and helped develop the Brighton Marathon Research Team.

The talk entitled “Event medicine - the non-sexy side of pre hospital medicine” looks at how pragmatic organisation and medical interventions can provide great care to spectators and participants at large events. In addition the talk specifically looks at conditions linked to marathon running. The interlink with the NHS for these events is of absolutely is vital to minimise any impact of big events – especially in a city like Brighton which relative to its size has a number of large events.

Apart from work he plays 5-a-side football (badly), supports Leyton Orient Football Club (who play badly) and Brighton (who play better) and once had a few shows as a stand-up comedian (which ended up badly and so he went into medicine). He wrote a book (under a pseudonym) about what it is like to work in A&E, ‘In stitches the highs and lows of life as an A&E Doctor’ by Dr Nick Edwards.

He has an interest in politics and is the medical advisor to the NHS Support federation - a pro NHS anti privatisation research group. He used to have a social life and personality but is now married with three young kids and now says and does what his wife tells him and is more likely to be found telling his kids to stop playing ‘fornite’ than going out drinking.

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