

Public Announcement for an Emergency Research Study of Traumatic Brain Injury in Southeast Wisconsin

Researchers at the Medical College of Wisconsin are studying whether a medicine, Tranexamic Acid, or TXA, will save lives and reduce brain damage after a traumatic brain injury.

Traumatic brain injury, such as brain injuries suffered in a car accident or fall, are the leading cause of death for young adults. This study will compare TXA to regular medical care with no TXA, in adults with serious brain injuries. The study will begin May 2015 in southeast Wisconsin and include Milwaukee County Emergency Medical Services and Flight for Life.

Because traumatic brain injury is an emergency, this study meets the U.S. Food and Drug Administration guidelines for exception from informed consent under emergency circumstances.

Opting out of this study: Anyone who does not wish to be enrolled in this study may opt-out by wearing an opt-out bracelet or necklace. The paramedics are trained to not enroll anyone who is wearing this bracelet or necklace. An opt-out bracelet or necklace may be requested free of charge by either calling the Resuscitation Research Center at (414) 805-6493 or email at RRC@mcw.edu.

For information about the study or if you do not want to be included, please call Dr. M. Riccardo Colella at (414)-805-6493, email at RRC@mcw.edu, or visit the website at www.mcw.edu/ROCTXA.