

## Upcoming Training Reminders:

### Dr. Sanjeev Vaderah, MD, FRCPC guest speaker for ALS OTEP

Skagit Valley Hospital's own **Dr. Sanjeev Vaderah** is the guest speaker at both ALS OTEPs in February. Dr. Vaderah is Board Certified Cardiac Interventionalist who believes in personal, prompt, compassionate care and endeavors to minimize any unnecessary waiting for patients. Dr. Vaderah will be discussing the subject of interventional cardiology with our ALS providers at **Burlington Fire Department** on **Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>** at **11:30am**.

### Ambulance Documentation Essentials Training

**Maggie Adams** will explain the ever-changing requirements of documentation. This training is an excellent opportunity for everyone from the career paramedic who has written hundreds of reports to the newest EMTs who are just learning the finer points of documenting patient care. Using a very down-to-earth approach, Maggie offers practical tips on documenting the important elements of patient care. All providers are encouraged to attend one of the following four training sessions:

March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 – 8:30pm	EMS Office Training Room
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:30am – 2:00pm	Burlington Fire Department
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 – 9:30pm	Burlington Fire Department
March 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 – 11:30am	Anacortes Fire Department

### Community Response and Support Referral Program

EMS and NWRC will be hosting an open meeting on **Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>** from **3:00 to 4:30pm** at the **EMS Training Room located (2911 E. College Way)**, Mount Vernon to meet with any interested agencies to further explain the process and answer questions. The goals of this program is to reduce the frequency of 9-1-1 calls for social and other low-acuity needs, and help to

ensure that citizens are not falling through the cracks in an overly complex healthcare system, but rather have a strong understanding of what resources are available and know how to access them.

Responders on 9-1-1 calls simply identify potential needs on a standardized form; receive patient consent; and send the referral form to NWRC (fax 360-428-1302) after the call. NWRC's Aging and Disability Resources staff then contacts the individual, screens to determine the individual's needs and assists them in connecting to services within Skagit County. NWRC will also provide feedback directly to an assigned contact at each fire/EMS agency so responders know what actions are being taken based on the referral.

