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Pre-Hospital Trauma Day

In just one day medical and nursing staff from Gosford and Wyong Hospital's emergency departments and paramedics from NSW Ambulance will be faced with a large explosion, a child drowning, a high speed car accident and a multiple casualty incident – all part of the Pre-Hospital Trauma Day to be held on **Wednesday 9 September** at **Gosford Showground**.

Six teams comprising emergency doctors and nurses and paramedics will test their skills in the field as they undertake each of the different scenarios.

In its sixth year, the event provides Central Coast Health staff with the opportunity to experience treating patients in a pre-hospital environment and to further promote a close working relationship between hospital staff and paramedics.

The day will get underway at 8am with a safety briefing before teams start their first scenario. A debrief will occur after every scenario for teams to evaluate how they performed, what worked well and what could be improved before moving on to their next scenario.

An Ambulance Service NSW Helicopter with a Medical Response Team is expected to arrive on scene at approximately 12.30pm (subject to availability on the day).

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