The classic resuscitation Chain of Survival concept linked the community to EMS and EMS to hospitals, with hospital care as the destination. But patients with a cardiac emergency may enter the system of care at one of many different points.

Over 350,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests occur in the US

Only about 12% survive

CPR can DOUBLE or TRIPLE a person’s chance of survival, especially if performed in the first few minutes of cardiac arrest.

The chances of survival decrease by 7-10% for every minute that passes without CPR and defibrillation.

23% of out-of-hospital cardiac arrests are “shockable” arrhythmias, or those that respond to a shock from an AED, making AEDs in public places highly valuable.

Over 200,000 adult patients suffer cardiac arrests in US Hospitals annually.

About 20% survive to discharge.

How is your CPR training impacting patient survival?