



Sepsis Management

Diane Craig, MD is fighting a killer named “sepsis.” She’s definitely winning.

In choosing to battle sepsis, Dr. Craig tackled the number one cause of death in hospitals nationwide. Sepsis is dangerous because it can move fast to shut down vital organs.

Dr. Craig was determined to reduce the rate of mortality from sepsis, although many others had failed.

In 2008, she helped develop a protocol to quickly identify patients at risk of sepsis, and treat them aggressively. Her approach worked wonders. Her pioneering practices have been adopted by other Kaiser Permanente hospitals in Northern California, and the sepsis mortality rate now stands at 28% below the national average.

Dr. Craig’s relentless effort to improve sepsis care has already saved many lives and promises to save many more.

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“ The greatest reward was watching the mortality rate for sepsis fall as we got better at identifying patients quickly and treating them aggressively. ”