Below you will find the topics and a selection of key accompanying references for the Surgical Critical Care Continuous Certification Assessment. References that are available open source are indicated with a green star ⭐ and the entire citation is a link. References that are not available open access have a link in their PubMed ID to the abstract.

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### Abdominal Compartment Syndrome


### Abdominal Trauma


### Airway Management


### Antimicrobials


### Cardiac Arrest


### Cardiogenic Shock


**Chest Trauma**


**Cost Control in the ICU**


**Delirium**


**End of Life Care**


**Gastrointestinal Bleeding, Upper**


**Head and Spinal Cord Injury**


**Hemodynamic Monitoring, Noninvasive**


**Hepatic Failure**

Hypovolemic Shock


Infections


Mechanical Ventilation

- Writing Group for the PReVENT Investigators. Effect of a low vs intermediate tidal volume strategy on ventilator-free days in intensive care unit patients without ARDS: a randomized clinical trial. *JAMA*. 2018 Nov 13;320(18):1872-1880. [PMID: 30357256]

Nutritional Therapy


Pain Management and Sedation


Palliative Care

Penetrating Trauma

Pneumonia


Pulmonary Embolism

Priorities in Multi-System Trauma

Renal Failure

Respiratory Failure, Acute


Septic Shock

Serum Osmolarity and Electrolytes


Traumatic Brain Injury


Vascular Disorders of the Intestine


Vasopressor and Vasodilator