Heeding the Bleeding

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California decided it was tired of women bleeding to death in childbirth
The maternal mortality rate in the state is a third of the American average. Here's why.

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California has bucked America's maternal mortality trend

Maternal deaths per 100,000 live births

SOURCE: California Department of Public Health
Trauma Triad of Death

- Coagulopathy
- Metabolic Acidosis
- Hypothermia

NOT unique to trauma
California L&D Centers

- Early and aggressive staging of bleed
- Prepared steps to stop the bleed
- Early pRBC and massive transfusion protocols
Starts in the field

1. Perfusion matters
2. Oxygenate
3. Keep Warm
4. Stop the bleed
5. Early blood and TXA  
   (pending on scope of practice)
6. Diesel to definitive care  
   (ie OBSTETRICS)
And so can you.
Thank you

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