

Dominique Jean Larrey

Dr. Dominique Jean Larrey was a pioneer in the field of military surgery. His creative innovation and drive to improve the quality of medical services available to those injured during war guided his achievements in medicine. Dr. Larrey is often referred to as: 'the father of emergency medical services' or 'the father of modern military medicine.' His contributions to medicine continue to live on in common procedures and health care systems today, such as aspiration of pericardial effusion and drainage of hemothorax and empyema. Based on his own writings, he treated multiple cases of intracranial injury thus making him an early but often forgotten pioneer of neurosurgery ¹⁾.

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