

Advanced Life Support Group (ALSG): Advanced Paediatric Life Support (APLS) course

APLS provides the knowledge and skills necessary for recognition, effective treatment and stabilisation of children with life threatening emergencies, using a structured, sequential approach. The course and its principles are practiced throughout the world, and over 83,000 candidates have completed the course since its inception in 1998.

Date:

Time:

The course is run through the UK and cost varies across centres. See more information.

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The RCPCH has endorsed this blended learning product from 31 October 2020 to 30 October 2022, in accordance with the current RCPCH endorsement guidelines.

About

The three-day APLS course comprises a flexible one-day online component (VLE) and a two-day face-to-face course.

Candidates who have taken the course include consultants, advanced nurse practitioners and resuscitation training officers from Accident & Emergency, Anaesthetic and Paediatric departments.

Topics covered

1-day online modular education through our VLE

- Structured approach
- Human factors
- Recognition of seriously ill child
- Child with breathing difficulties
- Child in shock
- Abnormal pulse rate or rhythm
- Decreased conscious level

- Convulsing child
- Seriously injured child
- Chest injury
- Abdominal injury
- Head injury
- Injury to the spine
- Burns and scalds
- Drowning
- Cardiac arrest
- Stabilisation and transfer

2-day face-to-face course with lectures, skills, simulations, demonstrations

Lectures

- Welcome, aims & setting the scene

Demonstrations & interactive sessions

- Assessing & managing the serious ill child
- Structured approach to the seriously injured child
- Cardiac simulation & skills

Skill & simulation sessions

- Serious illness simulation & skills
- Serious injury simulation & skills
- Cardiac simulation and skills including review and continual assessment

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