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NAPSTaR

Neonatal, Adult and Paediatric Safe Transfer and Retrieval

All patients are vulnerable when it comes to transfer; and the time spent transferring presents increased risk to the patient in that it's time not spent treating. Furthermore, the challenges posed in transferring are substantial, both clinical and non-clinical.

To minimise these risks and respond successfully to these challenges, the NAPSTaR course presents ACCEPT, a structured approach to neonatal, adult and paediatric transfers, and the knowledge of the processes involved in the transportation of the sick neonate, child or adult, emphasising the preparation required prior to transfer.

The ACCEPT methodology consists of the following: Assessment, Control, Communication, Evaluation, Preparation and Packaging and Transportation.

Using this approach substantially improves patient care and outcomes, both inter– and intra-hospital.

NAPSTaR curriculum and key information

The programme comprises a 2-day face-to-face course. The course is run throughout the UK and overseas and the cost varies across centres.

Lectures

- Introduction to ACCEPT
- Introduction to communication and Human Factors
- Why are transfers different?
- Preparation, packaging and transportation

Workshops/skill stations

- ACCE
- Equipment tips, tricks and pitfalls
- Communication

Discussions

- Movement and safety
- Mobile environmental physiology
- Untoward events

Candidate criteria and eligibility

This neonatal, adult and paediatric safe transfer and retrieval programme is for those from a medical, nursing, paramedic background. Before attending the NAPSTaR course, you must also have successfully completed an appropriate advanced life support course relevant to your specialty.

Assessment and certification

Candidates are continuously assessed during the course. If you are successful, NAPSTaR certification is valid for four years.

Recertification options

All recertifying candidates must undertake the full course again after four years.

"What we want to see is increased consistency and quality in education and training and consequently in people's outcomes and experiences...Service delivery and education and training are fundamentally interlinked." [3]

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"Regional critical care networks are in place to develop protocols to stabilise and transfer children to specialist centres" [1]

"..there should be standardised arrangements for transfer within hospital." [2]

Courses to consider

You may also wish to consider the following courses:

- APLS - Advanced Paediatric Life Support - http://bit.ly/APLS_FS
- CPRR - Child Protection: Recognition and Response - http://bit.ly/CPRR_FS
- CPiP - Child Protection in Practice - http://bit.ly/CPIP_FS
- HMIMMS - Major Incident Medical Management and Support: Hospital - http://bit.ly/HMIMMS_FS

Resources

- Publications - http://bit.ly/ALSG_Pub
- Testimonials - http://bit.ly/ALSG_Testimonials

Important course updates and references

There are currently no updates or references for the NAPSTaR course.

Continuous Professional Development

Revised guidance from the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges emphasises that the focus of CPD should be on its quality and reflection of its impact on a clinician's practice, rather than the amount of time spent on the activity and that the responsibility for identifying CPD requirements rests with the individual and should be based on their personal areas of practice and personal development plan agreed at their annual appraisal. Although one 'CPD credit' will normally equate to one hour of educational activity, the amount of educational activity obtained from a specific event may vary Between individuals depending on an individual's specific learning outcomes.

Information for educators and managers

As a charity, ALSG invests all profits in educational resources and partners with the most effective and respected organisations worldwide to develop exceptionally high quality programmes.

ALSG education quality is verified, accredited and recognised internationally as 'best in class', contributing to better outcomes for patients in life-threatening situations.

Booking a course

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[1 & 2] Intercollegiate Committee for Standards for Children and Young People in Emergency Care settings: *Standards for Children and Young People in Emergency Care Settings*
[3] Moore et al, 2013, NHS Future Forum *Education and Training– next stage,* London.

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