

King Abdulaziz University Faculty of Medicine Clinical Skills & Simulation center



FUNDAMENTAL CRITICAL CARE SUPPORT COURSE

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About the course

A two-day comprehensive course addressing fundamental management principles for the first 24 hours of critical care.

Course Purpose

- To better prepare the non-intensivist for the first 24 hours of management of the critically ill patient until transfer or appropriate critical care consultation can be arranged.
- To assist the non-intensivist in dealing with sudden deterioration of the critically ill patient.
- To prepare house staff for ICU coverage.
- To prepare nurses and other critical care practitioners to deal with acute deterioration in the critically ill patient.

Course Objectives

- Prioritize assessment needs for the critically ill patient.
- Select appropriate diagnostic tests.
- Identify and respond to significant changes in the unstable patient.
- Recognize and initiate management of acute life-threatening conditions.
- Determine the need for expert consultation and/or patient transfer and prepare the practitioner for optimally accomplishing transfer.

Course Description

- 17 didactic lectures
- 9 case based skill stations
- Pre & Post tests



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- Companion textbook
- Certificate of successful course completion
- Requirements for successful course completion are:
- Attend all didactic sessions
- Successfully complete all skill stations
- Obtain 70% or higher on the post test

Target Participants

- Critical care fellows beginning their training.
- Advanced Practice Nurses.
- Emergency medicine physicians.
- Nursing caring for complex or potentially unstable patients
- Respiratory therapists.
- Specialists / Residents.
- General Practitioners.
- Family Medicine Physicians
- Anesthesia doctors
- Nurses
- Paramedics