



HEMS Helicopter Crew

Rating ★★★★★

Specialist training for doctors, paramedics and flight nurses who wish to work within a helicopter emergency medical service (HEMS) to provide advanced medical care in the pre-hospital arena.

The UK HEMS Helicopter Crew Course provides the clinician with the skills and knowledge to practice within a physician led medical team providing the highest level of clinical care to the seriously ill and injured patients in the challenging pre-hospital environment.

The Instructors are all doctors and paramedics currently serving within a HEMS system, with vast knowledge and expertise in pre-hospital care. The course consists of lectures and realistic moulages concluding with written and practical assessments.

Course content

The aim of the course is to educate the student to practice as part of a doctor-paramedic team delivering the highest level of care to seriously ill and injured patients in the challenging pre-hospital environment..

“Fantastic course, would thoroughly recommend. Lifts bar from other pre-hospital basics courses to whole new level.”

Student Testimonial

The syllabus includes:

- All aspects of major trauma recognition and management
- Serious head injury
- Chest injury - skills include thoracostomy / thoracotomy
- Burns
- Penetrating and blunt trauma injuries
- Catastrophic haemorrhage
- Rapid Sequence Induction (RSI)
- Sedation and Analgesia
- Patient Packaging
- Management of life-threatening illnesses

Duration: 5 days

Entry Criteria: Doctors, state registered paramedics and flight nurses who are working, or who have been selected to work, in a HEMS role. Doctors must be able to provide evidence of at least 6 months of anaesthesia practice.

Certification: UK HEMS approved course certificate