

CALS TRAUMA MODULE FACT SHEET

Objectives

1. Provide physicians, nurses, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and paramedics with the opportunity to learn and practice
 - a. infrequently used life-saving skills and
 - b. skills not offered in the two-day CALS Provider Course.
2. Provide skills training to satisfy STAC education requirements for level III or IV trauma designation.

Skills taught

1. Cricothyrotomy
2. Needle thoracostomy for tension pneumothorax
3. Chest tube insertion, adult
4. Percutaneous pericardiocentesis
5. Helmet removal
6. Leg traction splint
7. FAST Exam: introduction to the use of ultrasound in trauma care

Can I take this instead of the Benchmark Skills Lab? The CALS Benchmark Skills Lab and the CALS Trauma Module satisfy the STAC requirements for trauma certification and the CALS Program skills requirement. While the Trauma Module covers seven skills, the CALS Benchmark Skills Lab is a day-long lab that covers 50 skills. Therefore, it is recommended that participants complete the Benchmark Skills Lab, at least once.

Where will the CALS Trauma Module be taught? It will be offered in conjunction with the CALS Provider Course in some locations. When offered in conjunction with the Provider Course, it will be held in the evening the day before the Provider Course. It will also be offered as a stand-alone course at various sites across Minnesota. Please visit the CALS website for specific information.

How many CMEs will I earn? CMEs are awarded through the American Academy of Family Physicians. The course is approved for 3 prescribed credits.

How do I register?

Online: visit the website www.calsprogram.org

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