

ROYAL COLLEGE OF ANAESTHETISTS CPD MATRIX

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LEVEL 2: HIGHER CPD

Unit Specific Specialist CPD: Not all these will be necessary as they depend on what is in the 'on-call' needs of your unit. These are more skill based and will require more 'external' CPD activity.

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L2	A. General	B. Acutely ill	C. Cardiothoracic	D. ICM	E. Neuro	F. Obstetrics	G. Pain Medicine	H. Paediatrics	I. Elderly	J. Training
1.	Anaesthesia for patients with organ failure/compromise	Assessment of facial fractures	Cardiac trauma	Management of major trauma including spine	Airway protection strategies	Analgesia for labour	Management of acute pain in children and the elderly	Analgesia in children	Cognitive dysfunction issues	Current knowledge of RCoA Curriculum
2.	Failed intubation skills	Dental abscess problems	Chest trauma and analgesia	Management of organ donation	Management of emergency imaging	Assessment of critically ill parturient	Management of acute non-surgical pain	Awareness of child abuse and duty of care	Mental Capacity Act issues	Educational supervisor training
3.	Temperature control	Primary management of burns	Ischaemic heart disease per-operative	Management of severe brain injury	Monitoring of intracranial pressure	Current intra-partum management	Basic assessment and management of chronic pain	Compromised airway management	Optimisation of patients	
4.			Pacemaker and AICDs	Management of severe sepsis	Stabilisation prior to surgery	General anaesthesia/complications	Basic assessment and management of cancer pain	Drug dose/age considerations	Pain assessment in the elderly	
5.			Transfer of ill cardiac patients	Renal failure		Management of obstetric emergencies		Fluid management		
6.			Valvular heart disease per-operative	Complex fluid therapy		Physiology of normal pregnancy		Peri-operative care for emergency children		
7.				Acute ventilatory support		Regional anaesthesia/complications		Team working with retrieval PICU staff		

M. Bariatric	N. Ophthalmic
Cardiac assessment	Anaesthesia for penetrating eye injury
OSA/OHS recognition	General anaesthesia for routine ophthalmic surgery
	Practiced in two local anaesthetic techniques

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LEVEL 3: ADVANCED CPD

Advanced Specialist CPD: This is the highest level of CPD and will include 'state-of-the-art' external activity to maintain expertise. Most will be external.

It is against this list of expert practice areas that evaluation will take place if there is insufficient evidence from CPD at Core and Higher levels.

L3	A. General	B. Acutely ill	C. Cardiothoracic	D. ICM	E. Neuro	F. Obstetrics	G. Pain Medicine	H. Paediatrics	M. Bariatric	N. Ophthalmic
1.	Cardiac output monitoring	Skills in airway management	Aortic balloon pumps	Advanced cardiovascular support	Anaesthesia for intracranial surgery	Care of the high risk parturient	Care of acute, chronic and cancer pain	Advanced child protection training	Anaesthesia for bariatric procedures	Full range of local anaesthetic techniques
2.	Conscious sedation		Bypass related coagulopathies	Advanced respiratory support	Anaesthesia for neuro-endocrine surgery	Care of the critically ill parturient	Biopsychosocial assessment of chronic pain	Analgesia in children	Discussion of risk/benefit in bariatric surgery	General anaesthesia for specialised ophthalmic surgery in adults and children
3.	Leadership of the team		Cardiomyopathy per-operative	Management of decompensated liver disease	Anaesthesia for neuro-radiology		Multidisciplinary management	Awareness of child abuse and duty of care	Early recognition of complications of bariatric surgery	
4.	Personal audit and governance		Cardiac bypass	Care of the immuno-compromised patient	Anaesthesia for spinal surgery		Pharmacotherapy	Compromised airway management in children	Usage of CPAP	
5.	Training, teaching and assessment skills		Echocardiography	Understanding of ICU organisational issues	Understanding of Neuro-critical care		Physical therapies	Current understanding of PICU management		
6.	Use of inotropes and vasoactive drugs		Endocarditis				Interventional techniques	Drug dose/age considerations		
7.			Ischaemic disease – per-operative				Psychological and rehabilitation approaches	Fluid management in children		
8.			Knowledge of National Service Frameworks for cardiac					Peri-operative care for children		
9.			Non-cardiac bypass operations					Team working with retrieval PICU staff		
10.			Perfusionist prescribing							
11.			Pulmonary surgery aspects							
12.			Thoracic surgery aspects							
13.			Valvular disease per-operative							