



Fundamental Critical Care Support: Surgical Sample Agenda Option B

This is recommended for learners who have not previously taken FCCS.

Modules to Complete Online Before Attending Course			
19m	Recognition and Assessment of the Seriously III		
37m	Neurological Support		
32m	Basic Trauma and Burn Support		
27m	Acute Coronary Syndrome		
25m	Management of Life-Threatening Electrolyte and Metabolic Disturbances		
29m	Life Threatening Infections: Diagnosis and Antimicrobial Therapy Selection		

Day 1	
7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.	Welcome, Course Announcements
	FCCS: Surgical Overview
7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Diagnosis and Management of Acute Respiratory Failure
	Definition and classification
	Pathophysiology and manifestations
	Review the management principles
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Mechanical Ventilation I
	Describe the characteristics of different types of breaths and modes of invasive and
	noninvasive mechanical ventilation
	 Discuss indications and techniques for noninvasive positive pressure ventilation
	Outline settings and monitoring for initiation of mechanical ventilation
9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Mechanical Ventilation II
	Review guidelines for initial ventilator management strategies in specific clinical
	situations
	Describe the interactions between ventilatory parameters
	Detail the modifications needed to avoid harmful effects of mechanical ventilation
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	BREAK
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Monitoring of Oxygen Balance and Acid-Base Status
	Outline the determinants of oxygen balance
	Recognize disorders of oxygen delivery
	 Identify principles and limitations of techniques for monitoring oxygen balance
	Explain the use of acid-base status to monitor the serious ill patient
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Diagnosis and Management of Shock
	Identify the primary categories of shock
	Discuss goals of resuscitation in shock
	Summarize principles of shock management
	Describe effects of vasopressor and inotropic agents
	Discuss the differential diagnosis and management of oliguria
11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	LUNCH

12:30 p.m.– 1:15 p.m.	SKILL STATIONS A & B
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	Describe indications for initiation of mechanical ventilation
	Modify the ventilator prescription in response to patient data
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2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	SKILL STATIONS C & D
	C. Mechanical Ventilation 2
	 Describe the approach to the patient with a high-pressure alarm
	Practice ventilation adjustments in response to changes in patient status
	D. Hypotension After Abdominal Operation
	Discuss causes of shock in the postoperative patient
	 Identify risk factors for abdominal compartment syndrome (ACS)
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3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Approach to the Surgical Patient, Part 1: Overview of the Care for the Critically III Patient
	Describe the physiologic derangements that occur with surgical care
	Identify common complications that occur in the critically ill surgical patient
	• Identify adverse events and drug interactions from anesthetics in the postoperative period
	Describe the factors involved in a successful handoff of a critically ill surgical patient to the ICU team

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4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Approach to the Surgical Patient, Part 2: Surgical Emergencies
	 Recognize the signs and symptoms of a surgical emergency based on patient's history and clinical presentation Prioritize appropriate treatment and management of a surgical emergency Optimize the use of damage control techniques Use frailty assessment to stratify perioperative risk
5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	WRAP UP DAY 1

Day 2				
7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.	Welcome and Announcements			
7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	 Surgical Airway Emergencies Recognize tracheostomy complications and take immediate action Recognize postoperative neck hematoma and take immediate action Discuss management of upper airway obstruction due to angioedema Review techniques for needle and surgical cricothyroidotomies 			
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	 Neurosurgical ICU Review principles of brain insult and mechanisms of neuronal injury Apply concepts of intracranial hypertension and brain oxygen delivery and consumption to management of the brain-injured patient Review the clinical and diagnostic assessment of the brain-injured patient List general treatments that are common in brain injury Review management principles for selected pathophysiologic conditions 			
9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	 Abdominal Surgical Emergencies: Part 1 Recognize various abdominal emergencies and the importance of early surgical consultation Identify the signs, symptoms, and risk factors of megacolon and the importance of early consultation of surgical and other specialty services Describe the various causes of small bowel obstruction including surgical versus nonsurgical management Define primary, secondary, and tertiary peritonitis, and discuss its clinical manifestations and treatment Describe the diagnosis and treatment options for acute cholecystitis and biliary urgencies Explain the etiology, presentation, diagnosis, and treatment of esophageal perforation 			
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	BREAK			
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	 Abdominal Surgical Emergencies: Part 2 Classify and predict severity of acute pancreatitis Outline management of acute pancreatitis and its complications Explore the differences between upper and lower gastrointestinal bleeding Review the diagnostic methods and management principles of gastrointestinal bleeding Review diagnosis and management of intra-abdominal hypertension and ACS 			

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Cardiovascular Surgical Emergencies
	Identify patients with bleeding after cardiovascular surgical procedures, including
	cardiopulmonary bypass grafting (CABG), percutaneous coronary interventions, or
	percutaneous arterial interventions
	Outline basic management and interpretation of chest tubes placed during CABG
	Identify signs, symptoms, and therapeutic options for cardiac tamponade after CABG
	Identify signs, symptoms, and therapeutic options for:
	Patients with suspected complications from insertion of intravascular sheaths, lines, and other devises.
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	Pulseless extremity Vascalogia
	Vasoplegia
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12:30 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	SKILL STATIONS E & F
	E. ICU Care for Multisystem Trauma Patient
	Interpret, troubleshoot, and manage elevated intracranial pressure
	Discuss chest tube basics and troubleshooting
	Diagnose and manage ACS
	Diagnose and manage ACS of extremities
	F. Integrated Abdominal Sepsis
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	Outline the diagnosis and management of pulmonary embolism
	Describe prophylactic therapy for venous thromboembolism
	List general management principles for severe gastrointestinal hemorrhage
	Describe appropriate prophylactic therapy for the prevention of stress-related gastritis
	Summarize the principles of poisoning management
	Outline the diagnosis and management of frequent hematologic and oncologic
	emergencies
3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Surgical Soft Tissue Complications and Urgencies
	Identify a normal healing wound
	Recognize wound dehiscence and infection
	Recognize and manage necrotizing soft tissue infection
	Recognize and manage compartment syndrome
3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	WRAP UP DAY 2