

MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF LIFELONG LEARNING AND EXTENSION

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME IN BASIC FIRST AID

(Prehospital Medical Emergency Care: Hands-on Training Course)

SYLLABUS

Duration : 60hrs

Eligibility : A pass in Plus Two or Equivalent

Course Fees : 3200/-

Medium of Instruction : Malayalam /English

Course Overview:

Equip participants with essential knowledge and skills to address various prehospital medical emergencies. The training blends theoretical knowledge with hands-on practical exercises to ensure optimal understanding and skill retention.

Course Breakdown:

Module 1: Introduction to Prehospital Care

- ➤ The importance of prehospital emergency medical care
- > Role of a first responder
- Scene safety and Assessment

Module 2: Basic Life Support (BLS)

- Principles of BLS
- ➤ Heart attack v/s Cardiac arrest
- ➤ Hands-on training: CPR for adults, children, and infants
- Use of Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
- Safe and careful transfer.

Module 3: Choking

- Recognizing choking
- ➤ Heimlich maneuver for adults and children
- > First aid for infants

Module 4: Neurological Emergencies

- Recognizing signs of a stroke
- Importance of prompt medical attention.
- > FAST
- > Transient Ischemic Attack (TIA)
- ➤ Silent stroke/ Asymptomatic Cerebral Infarction.
- > Severe headache and related problems.
- Immediate care to reduce brain damage.
- Seizures, febrile seizures

Module 5: Fainting (Syncope)/shock

- First aid for fainting
- Exercise Associated Collapse.
- ➤ Low blood sodium

Module 6: Water-related Emergencies

- > Drowning: Signs, rescue, and first aid
- ➤ Watersports, importance of disciplined safety consciousness
- ➤ Handling hypothermia

Module 7: Electrical and Environmental Hazards

- ➤ Electrocution: Immediate care and safety
- Lightning strike: Signs and first aid
- Fire hazards: Safety, burns, and treatment
- Heat exhaustion, heat stroke.

Module 8: Animal-Related Emergencies

- Snake bites: Identification, first aid, and DOs & DON'Ts
- ➤ Rabid dog bites: Immediate care and post-exposure prophylaxis
- Stings and bites from insects etc.

Module 9: Musculoskeletal Injuries

- > Sprains, strains, and fractures
- > Splinting and immobilization techniques
- > Safe transport.

Module 10: Road Accidents

- Scene assessment and safety
- > Basic first aid for bleeding, wounds, and head injuries
- > Safe transfer methods

Module 11: Food Poisoning and Digestive Emergencies

- Recognizing signs of food poisoning
- > First aid and when to seek medical assistance

Module 12: Special Populations & Considerations

- Pregnant victims, elderly, and children
- Cultural and situational awareness
- > Some guidelines on medical emergencies in disaster management activities.

Module 13: Simulation and Scenario-based Training

Realistic scenarios to apply learned skills

Module 14: Conclusion and Certification

- ➤ Review and Q&A session
- Examination
- Certification ceremony

Practical Sessions:

➤ Integrated throughout the modules, to ensure hands-on practice on mannequins, role plays, and other practical tools.

Learning Outcomes:

Understand the fundamentals of first aid and prehospital care.

Recognize and respond to various medical emergencies effectively.

Demonstrate practical skills in CPR, wound care, splinting, and more.

Earn a certification from Daya Hospital in collaboration with Mahatma Gandhi University.

Pre-requisites:

No prior medical knowledge is required. Open to the general public and graduate-level degree students.

Organized by: Daya Hospital in collaboration with Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension, Mahatma Gandhi University.

Resource Persons: Pararaksha team from Daya Hospital.

Materials & Equipment:

Provided by Daya Hospital and includes mannequins, AED trainers, first aid kits, splints, bandages, and other training tools.

Note: This is a broad syllabus for the above mentioned course. Detailed lesson plans, including timings, specific training aids, and resources, should be developed in consultation with the experts in the field.