

## As a CALS Hospital, you can:

- Demonstrate your commitment to excellence in emergency medical care;
- Display your recognition where hospital patients and visitors can learn more about your investment;
- Increase your visibility within your state and region;
- Recognize your providers, nurses and other clinical staff for their achievement in completing a CALS training program;
- Reinforce your designation (in Minnesota) as a level III or IV trauma center;
- Secure future educational offerings designed for rural hospital and staff;
- Enjoy membership in a community of like-minded institutions;
- Serve as a magnet for attracting and retaining the finest clinical staff.

### CALS-TRAINED HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS SAY...

"I am so happy I decided to come to CALS - now I see why the others were so excited!"

-Nurse, Minnesota

"I commend you for your dedication to come to rural America and help us small hospitals be the best we can be! Thank you!"

-Physician, Missouri

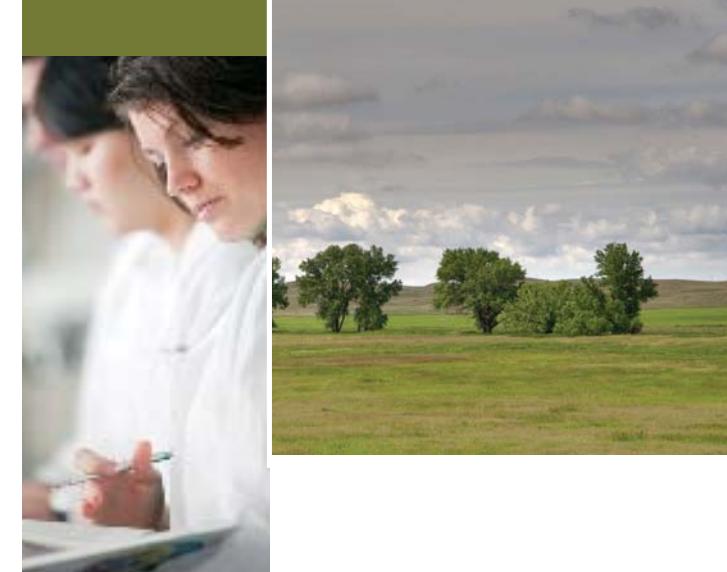
"Best review I have had in 12 years. Thank you."

-Physician, Minnesota

### About CALS

The CALS Program was started in 1996 in Minnesota by a grassroots coalition of volunteer health care providers who had the goal of improving patient care and outcomes in rural settings. Now in its eighteenth year, the CALS Program has developed affiliate programs in Wisconsin and Montana and hosted courses in other states including Michigan, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Texas. The CALS Program extends its reach to eight other countries to train embassy medical personnel around the globe. Global CALS is a humanitarian project that brings medical education to underserved countries ,such as, Kenya and Haiti.

CALS education and resources were designed for physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, RNs, LPNs, and allied health care professionals (eg, CRNAs and paramedics) who work in rural, remote, or global settings. Additional information about the CALS Program is available at [www.calsprogram.org](http://www.calsprogram.org).



# CALS Hospitals

## Recognition Program

Promoting excellence and teamwork in rural emergency patient care.



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## The CALS Hospital Program: *Unique and meaningful recognition for excellence in rural emergency patient care.*

As a rural hospital, you face many barriers to providing quality medical care to your community. Workforce issues, financial constraints, and geographic isolation cause ongoing challenges.

Still, many hospitals are finding ways to meet those challenges and exceed their community's expectations. Such accomplishment is not impossible, but it requires a strong commitment from providers, staff, managers, and administrators.

CALS is pleased to recognize those facilities who meet its standards for excellence in emergency care. CALS Hospitals across the midwest share a common dedication to teamwork, efficiency, and effectiveness in the emergency department, as well as improved outcomes in patient care.

To learn more about the benefits of becoming a CALS hospital, or to download an application, please visit [www.calsprogram.org](http://www.calsprogram.org) or call 612-624-8776.

### CALS Hospital Requirements

Facilities across the US and Canada can earn CALS Hospital recognition by completing the following steps:

- Provide CALS training for all emergency care team leaders, or 75% of provider staff (Physicians, NPs, PAs)
- Provide CALS training for all RNs in emergency care, or 75% of all clinical staff (RNs, LPNs, CRNAs, Paramedics)
- Procure the emergency medical equipment recommended by CALS for effective emergency care
- Participate in CALS outcome and data collection within the prescribed boundaries of confidentiality (optional)

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### About CALS Rural Emergency Medical Education

CALS improves patient care in rural and resource-limited hospitals through intensive advanced life support training. The curriculum is specifically designed for medical teams who work in settings exposed to undifferentiated medical emergencies without the luxury of on-site subspecialty assistance.

#### The CALS Resuscitation Diamond

The CALS curriculum is continually updated to ensure that the latest developments in clinical practice are combined with appropriate equipment and the patient-centered training CALS is known for.



**Rural, Remote, and Global Impact**  
CALS education has improved patient care in rural and remote communities across the United States and Canada, globally in US embassies abroad, and within developing countries in Africa and Haiti.

