

# The CALS Provider Course

- Designed specifically for rural healthcare practitioners.
- Intended to combine concepts contained in many of the other advanced life support courses.
- Adaptable to the specific needs of rural, remote and metropolitan areas.
- Created to teach teamwork in the emergency care environment.
- Structured to provide a favorable ratio of students to instructors for optimal learning.
- Designed to present a Universal Approach to emergency care of rural patients.
- Complemented by online resources such as equipment lists, case studies and training scenarios.
- Designed to cover all age groups from birth to geriatrics.
- Taught by qualified instructors trained in adult learning and skills transfer.
- Proven over years of teaching to be the most relevant for rural providers.



## 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 ru-ral 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 26th year, the CALS Program has developed affiliate programs in Montana & Maine. CALS has hosted courses in many additional states including Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa, Oklahoma, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota Texas and Alaska. as well as in 8 countries. The CALS Program extends its reach in training to US Embassy medical personnel around the globe.

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).



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for Rural Emergency Teams

Educating healthcare providers to anticipate, recognize and treat life-threatening emergencies

CME Credits Available from  
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)



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The CALS Provider Course:  
*"Hands-on" Comprehensive Advanced Life Support education that prepares your team for rural emergencies.*

The CALS Provider Course is an educational program designed specifically for rural health care providers to meet their emergency medical training needs. It teaches an effective approach to the care of critically ill/injured patients manifesting a wide range of emergencies including trauma, cardiac, strokes, pediatric, OB, neonatal, airway compromise, and sepsis.

The course is most typically taught in the rural or remote facility, where resources are limited. More than 96% of participants report that taking the CALS course enhanced their skills, confidence and team-work abilities, leaving them better prepared to treat critically ill or injured patients.

**Who should attend?**

Providers are encouraged to attend in teams consisting of a team leader (usually a physician), other physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, and other allied health professionals (e.g. CRNAs).

Courses are limited to 24 participants per session.

CALS Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Provider Course, students will be able to:

- **Demonstrate the ability to problem solve** in a variety of clinical situations.
- **Identify key threats and demonstrate appropriate therapeutic interventions.**
- **Discuss roles of each team member** involved in patient evaluation and treatment.
- **Perform skills consistent with the provider's role** on the advanced life support team.

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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, Haiti, Latin America and the middle East.

