

# CALS Program At-A-Glance

## ✓ Comprehensive curriculum

Training is delivered across all life-support disciplines, providing the broadest available knowledge for your team.

## ✓ Rural hospital focus

All course concepts and methods are tuned to the unique resource constraints of rural settings.

## ✓ Team-building approach

Your emergency team is trained together, leading to more successful implementation and a stronger overall staff. We believe all members of the emergency health care team bring value, and we seek to promote collaboration in the emergency setting.

## ✓ Local delivery

Critical training and staff development is available in nearby rural communities.

## ✓ Flexible education delivery

CALS supports a blended learning experience that combines the flexibility of e-Learning for some content with the traditional instructor-led training that promotes teamwork, skills training, and simulation experiential learning.



## 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

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The CALS Program was started in 1996 in Minnesota by a grassroots coalition of volunteer healthcare providers who had the goal of improving patient care and outcomes in rural settings. Nearly 30 years later, the CALS Program has developed affiliate programs in Alaska, Montana, & Maine. CALS has hosted courses in many additional states, including Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa, Oklahoma, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Texas, 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 (e.g., CRNAs and paramedics) who work in rural, remote, or global settings. Additional information about the CALS Program is available: [www.calsprogram.org](http://www.calsprogram.org).



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## CALS Education for Rural Emergency Teams

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Comprehensive Advanced  
Life Support education and  
resources for rural, remote,  
and global healthcare  
providers.



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# CALS Education and Resources

Created for the unique needs of rural emergency patient care teams.

CALS courses and resources prepare rural emergency teams to anticipate, recognize and treat life-threatening emergencies.

CALS teaches an effective approach to the care of critically ill or injured patients. The CALS curriculum covers a wide range of emergencies including:

- **trauma**
- **cardiac**
- **stroke**
- **pediatric**
- **obstetric**
- **neonatal**
- **airway compromise**
- **sepsis**



The CALS Website provides a wide range of resources online, intended to reinforce and extend the benefits of CALS training. These online materials include the CALS eBook, hosting packet, and links to other resources.

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# CALS Education Options

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

- **Trauma & Provider Course**
  - **Expertly navigate** a variety of clinical situations.
  - **Identify key threats** and demonstrate therapeutic interventions.
  - **Discuss the roles** of each team member involved in patient evaluation and treatment.
  - **Learn & Perform skills** consistent with the provider's role on the advanced life support team.
- **OB/Neonate Module**
  - **Simulate** multiple types of complicated deliveries
  - **Identify signs and symptoms** of compromised maternal status and fetal distress
  - **Discuss the steps** in evaluation and resuscitation of a newborn
  - **Practice Hands-on skills, & more!**
- **Fundamentals of Airway Management for the Rural Provider**
  - **Orient** to basic airway anatomy and assessment techniques
  - **Investigate techniques and medications** involved with Rapid Sequence Intubation (RSI)
  - **Gain experience in the team management** of airway emergencies with small-group, scenario-based simulations
  - **Practice Hands-on skills, & more!**
- **Customized Curricula**
  - available upon request

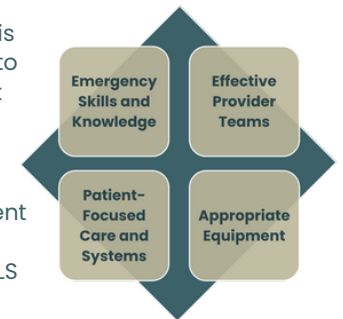


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## About CALS

The CALS Program slate of comprehensive advanced life support courses provides important training for rural, remote and global health care professionals. Our curriculum was developed in partnership with doctors and nurses and teaches an effective approach to the care of critically ill or injured patients with a wide range of emergencies.

### 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, and within developing countries in Africa, Haiti, Latin America, and the middle East.

