

# The CALS Trauma & 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 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

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. Nearly 30 years later, the CALS Program has developed affiliate programs in Alaska, Montana, and 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 Trauma & Provider Course

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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## 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.



## CALS Trauma & Provider Course

The CALS Trauma & Provider Course consists of hands-on training in cardiac, traumatic, pediatric, obstetrical, neonatal, and medical advanced life support. This course (and the materials that support it) helps participants understand the CALS Universal Approach to critically ill or injured patients and the standards that define how care providers should evaluate and treat patients in emergency situations.

Learning to provide better care for emergency patients can help you—and your team—save lives. CALS' curriculum is thoughtful and practical, uniquely designed to help you develop the confidence, skills, and abilities to effectively treat those in need.

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

**Providers are encouraged to attend in teams consisting of:**

- physicians
- physician assistants
- nurse practitioners
- nurses
- paramedics
- allied health professionals



Courses are limited to 24 participants per session

## CALS Learning Outcomes

Upon Completion of the Trauma & Provider Course, students will be able to:

- **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.
- **Perform skills consistent with the provider's role** on the advanced life support team.