



The Alternate Critical Care Pathway for the Emergency Medicine Diploma (EMD) is now available to those trainees who are unable to secure Intensive Care Medicine or Anaesthetics terms for the EMD.

Core features of the Alternate Critical Care Pathway:

- EMD trainees will complete 18 months (full time equivalent) of clinical work
- This must include 12 months in the Emergency Department + 6 months in Critical Care
- The Critical Care time may be spent in the Emergency Department, Intensive Care Medicine, Anaesthetics or a combination of these.

Frequently Asked Questions

What extra assessment needs to be completed?

In addition to completing the original EMD procedural checklist and WBAs, you will be provided with an addendum critical care procedural logbook to complete.

When does the addendum Critical Care logbook need to be completed?

During the time in which you are enrolled in the EMD.

Who can sign these off?

Any FACEM or other specialist for the relevant procedure, including a GP anaesthetist, can sign off procedures.

Does Simulation count?

For each procedure type a number must be completed on real patients. The remaining may be completed in simulation.

Tips and Tricks

Obtain shifts in the Operating Theatre, Anaesthetic Department or Intensive Care Department

You may be able to obtain shifts in these departments and operating theatres to gain exposure to perform the Critical Care procedural skills for the EMD.

Who can help you obtain exposure to the procedures? Discuss options at your site and in your network with:

- Your EMD supervisor
- Other FACEMs
- the Director of Emergency Medicine
- the Director of Emergency Medicine Training (DEMT)

Complete Emergency Skills Workshops and Courses

These may include: Advanced Paediatric Life Support (APLS), Advanced Paediatric Emergency Medicine (APEM), Early Management of Severe Trauma (EMST), Emergency Trauma Management (ETM), Advanced and Complex Medical Emergencies (ACME) and Effective Management of Anaesthetic Crisis (EMAC).

Participate in Simulation Training

Ask about the simulation education and training offered at your site.