



Scottish Maternity REACTS Course
(Recognition, Evaluation, Assessment, Critical Treatment and Stabilisation)
Course Descriptor

Course Title	Scottish Maternity Recognition, Evaluation, Assessment, Critical Treatment and Stabilisation (REACTS) Course
Course Aim	The overall aim is to provide candidates with the supplementary knowledge and skills necessary to help them recognise and deal appropriately with women requiring obstetric critical care and transfer where appropriate.
Course Learning Outcomes	Candidates will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrate an increased knowledge in the cause and management of the critically ill obstetric woman.• Demonstrate enhanced competencies/skills in the management of critically ill obstetric women.• Develop and enhance early recognition skills and knowledge.• Develop increased knowledge in the stabilisation and transfer of critically ill women.
Course pre-requisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It is essential that all candidates have a current Adult ILS certification and have attended a Scottie within last 4 years or appropriate alternative (ALSO) or the BASIC life course for pharmacists.• Level one blood transfusion• Desirable to have IV drug administration competence or working towards completion of competences.
Indicative content	Care of a woman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Undergoing invasive/non-invasive and intensive monitoring• With medical, cardiac and respiratory problems• With haematological, hypertensive and haemorrhagic disorders• Management of Fluid balance and drugs Other issues <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pathophysiology• Appropriate assessment skills• Recognising the sick woman• Drug management• Communication/ Decision making skills• Psychosocial skills• Pain management• Shock• Transfer and transport issues• Professional / legal and ethical issues

Teaching and Learning Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-course workbook, guided study • Lectures • Workshops • Skill stations • Scenario-based teaching
Assessment Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple choice questions formative and summative. • For stage 1: Certificate of Attendance Simulated clinical assessment during taught element of the course. • For stage 2: Certificate of Competence (optional) Clinical assessments completed at least three times within 6 months following successful completion of part 2 of the course.
Nominal Study Hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part one -Pre-course work 30-50 hours dependant on experience • Part two – 2 day Course: 15 hours • Part three – Individual supervised clinical practice up to 6 months (optional depending on individual requirements)
Minimum number of candidates	8
Maximum number of candidates	16
Minimum number of instructors to participants	1 instructor to 4 candidates (skill stations and workshops) To comply with the SMMDP quality measures there must be one external member included in the faculty each day
Number of Instructor Candidates (ICs) on a course	Not more than 50%
Indicate who is likely to benefit from the course	Midwives Doctors (including Junior)
Course Instructors	Instructors must have completed a Scottish Generic Instructor Training Course or if they have previous appropriate education training experience and are on the SMMDP data base as an instructor. All instructors must comply with the SMMDP Code of Practice for Instructors Minimum of 4 anaesthetists as instructors plus Obstetrician Midwife Pharmacist HDU nurse