



# Pitch Side Immediate Trauma Care Course (PSITCC)

Jointly organized by  
Emergency Care Training (HK)  
and  
England Rugby Football Union (RFU)  
endorsed by  
Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, UK  
and  
Hong Kong College of Emergency Medicine



## General Information

Please find enclosed details of the **Pitch Side Immediate Trauma Care Course (PSITCC)** programme(s) to be held on March 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> and another course on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> 2011. The course is non-profit making and delegate fees will match the true costs of running and maintaining the programme.

### Background

While catastrophic injuries are not common in sports events, it is essential when they do occur, that medical teams are appropriately prepared and trained for such an incident. In the UK, this requirement and the lack of advanced courses to specifically address these needs led to the development of the PSITCC by the England Rugby Football Union (RFU) in 2005. Since then, many courses have been successfully run in UK. To raise the standards of pitch side medical care in Hong Kong, the Hong Kong College of Emergency Medicine (HKCEM) and RFU brought the first course to Asia in March 2010.

### Course overview

**Who should take this course?** The two-day course is a sports-specific course that addresses the Immediate Care training needs of doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and on-site medics working within sports. The course will draw on existing hospital immediate care courses, i.e. BLS, ACLS, PHTLS and ATLS, but have additional sports-specific modules such as on-field assessment of concussion, wound care and wound closure. Candidates need to have some knowledge of Basic Spinal Care and Resuscitation when they apply for the course. **For applicants without prior knowledge, a pre-course workshop is required.**

**Who teaches the course?** Each course will be led by Dr. Andy Smith (Course Director of the original PSITCC from RFU), assisted by a teaching faculty (**from the UK and HK**) with extensive experience of pre-hospital immediate care and sports medicine education.

### How is the course taught?

- **Before the course:** A CD-ROM of the course material will be sent out to you before the course starts, followed by an MCQ test to be submitted before the course starts.
- **During the course:** Teaching is by lectures, practical skill stations and moulage practice.

### Course exam

During the course, there will be continuous assessment, a test moulage and a written MCQ paper at the end of the course. The pass mark of the written paper will be 80%.

### Failures and retests

If a candidate is unsuccessful in the continuous assessment, exam or moulages, they will not qualify for accreditation. Such candidates will be discussed by the faculty and a decision made as to what they need to do to gain accreditation. If a candidate is unsuccessful in one component they will most likely be invited to attend the next course, to re-take that part of the assessment. If a candidate is unsuccessful in more than one component they will most likely be asked to undertake the whole course again.

### When is the course held?

**1<sup>st</sup> course:** 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> March 2011 (Tue-Wed) **OR** **2<sup>nd</sup> course:** 25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> March 2011 (Fri-Sat)

**Pre-course workshop:** 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, **OR** 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2011



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## Where is the course held?

- Hong Kong Society of Professional Medical Care – West Kowloon Training Centre  
Room C, 2/F., Leroy Plaza, No. 15 Cheung Shun Street,  
Cheung Sha Wan, Kowloon (Lai Chi Kok MTR Exit D1)

## Course Programme

### 1) Regular course: (see attached)

- Refreshments and lunch are included during each day.
- A certificate issued by RFU and endorsed by HKCEM will be issued to candidates who pass the end-of-course exam. Maximum 24 candidates per course.

### 2) Pre-course workshop: (see attached)

- This is a preparation course for those who have no prior experience in trauma care and resuscitation or basic pitch-side medical support. No exam is required for this.

## Course fees

- 1) **HKCEM and EMS Members:** HK\$4,000  
+ HK\$700 (Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh Certification)  
+ HK\$300 (pre-course workshop)
- 2) **Non HKCEM/EMS members:** HK\$5,500 (all inclusive)
- 3) **Overseas delegates:** USD \$1,000 (all inclusive)

**Application form:** (see attached)

## Payment

Please send a cheque for the appropriate amount payable to the **“Emergency Care Training (HK)”** with your application form.

## Enquiries and applications:

Mr. Louis Chow at ECT-HK [louischow@ect-hk.com](mailto:louischow@ect-hk.com) Tel: +852 6772 0412

We look forward to seeing you at the course.

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