

Pre-Hospital and Emergency Department Resuscitative Thoracotomy

Programme

Time	Session
0830 – 0900	Faculty meeting
0900 – 0915	Welcome and Introductions
0915 – 0950	Resuscitative thoracotomy in context
0950 – 1030	Integration into the trauma resuscitation
1030 – 1050	Refreshments
1050 – 1130	The human anatomy of resuscitative thoracotomy & how to do it
1130 – 1240	Case based discussions and decision making
1240 – 1325	Lunch
1325 – 1515	Practical: Cardiac injury Lab safety briefing Step 1 – opening the chest Step 2 – opening the pericardium Step 3 – dealing with the wounds Step 4 – restarting the heart
1515 – 1535	Refreshments
1535 – 1610	Practical: Non-cardiac injury
1610 – 1630	Managing post-procedural patients
1630 – 1700	Wrap up Revisit learning outcomes Participant reflection Summary and tips Questions
1700 – 1715	Finish & faculty meeting