

# HLTH 2015 OUT-OF-HOSPITAL MEDICAL CARE 1

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 401074

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**Description** The aim of this subject is to extend knowledge and clinical skills required for the assessment and management of cardiovascular, respiratory and neurological medical emergencies. The subject combines pathophysiological principles development of skills and interpretation of diagnostic technology with clinical decision-making to implement advanced life support.

**School** Health Sciences

**Discipline** Paramedical Studies

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 2 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 2 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** BIOS 2029 or NATS 2038

**Co-requisite(s)** HLTH 2018

## Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 4669 Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedicine).

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Identify patient presentations and select appropriate pre hospital treatment plans
2. Integrate patient history and pathophysiology of cardiovascular, respiratory and neurological emergencies into the pre hospital assessment and treatment
3. Discuss the epidemiology and consequences of acute cardiovascular, respiratory and neurological emergencies
4. Provide an evidence-based justification for guidelines relating to cardiovascular, respiratory and neurological emergencies
5. Demonstrate competency in interpretation of ECGs
6. Provide constructive feedback and integrate feedback into future performance.
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## Subject Content

1. Pathophysiology of cardiovascular, respiratory and neurological emergencies
2. Australian Resuscitation Council guidelines for managing resuscitation at an advanced skill level
3. ECG monitoring, analysis and interpretation
4. Clinical decision-making related to termination of resuscitation
5. Assessment, treatment and evidence-based clinical decision-making in relation to adult respiratory medical emergencies

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## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

| Type            | Length         | Percent | Threshold | Individual/ Group Task | Mandatory |
|-----------------|----------------|---------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
| Quiz            | 2 x 30 minutes | 30      | N         | Individual             | Y         |
| Critical Review | 1,500 words    | 25      | N         | Individual             | Y         |
| Final Exam      | 2 hours        | 45      | Y         | Individual             | Y         |

## Prescribed Texts

- Curtis, K., Ramsden, C. and Lord, B. (2011). Emergency and Trauma Care for nurses and paramedics. Chatswood, N.S.W.: Elsevier.
- Wesley, K. (2011). Huszar's Basic Dysrhythmias and Acute Coronary Syndromes: Interpretation and Management. St Louis, Missouri: Elsevier

## Teaching Periods

## 2nd Half (2025)

### Campbelltown

#### On-site

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