



Continuing Professional Development for Anaesthesia Paramedical Officers

Based on research ASAPO recognises the need for healthcare professionals to undertake regular professional development to deal more effectively with crisis situations.

It is a requirement of registration that applicants provide documented evidence of at least ten (10) hours of continuing professional development (CPD) per annum. For continued registration, the applicant must provide evidence of CPD for the previous year.

CPD refers to education relevant to an Anaesthesia Paramedical Officer (APO) undertaken in the workplace i.e. in-service sessions, mandatory yearly education, and outside the workplace i.e. seminars, workshops, conferences and other training programs.

It is the responsibility of the individual (and their supervisor) to organise CPD and maintain a record of CPD.

CPD may include but is not limited to:

- Yearly assessment on checking the anaesthetic machine
- Intravenous cannulation
- Basic Life Support
- Advanced Life Support
- Paediatric Advanced Life Support
- Neonatal Advance Life Support
- Drugs calculation assessment
- In-services on new equipment
- Senior First Aid
- Occupational, Health and Safety
- Certificate IV in Workplace Training and Assessment for trainers
- Leadership courses for managers
- Conferences / Seminars / Workshops
- Self directed learning and research