

ACADEMY 

# AfPP Academy Education Prospectus

*Supporting the Teams Behind  
Safe Perioperative Care*





# Welcome to the AfPP Academy

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*At AfPP, we believe education is at the heart of safe and effective perioperative care. Our programmes are designed by perioperative practitioners, for perioperative practitioners, ensuring every session reflects the realities of theatre life.*

*AfPP provides practical, evidence-based education for every stage of the theatre practitioner's career, from students starting out, to registered practitioners developing skills, and leaders supporting their teams.*

*Together, we can support safer theatre practice, strengthen teams, and enhance patient outcomes.*



**Alex Duke**  
*AfPP Chief Executive Officer*



# Why Partner with the AfPP Academy?

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## Build Stronger Teams, Improve Patient Safety

Our training is designed to benefit the hospital, theatre teams, and ultimately the patients they care for:

- Competent, confident staff capable of delivering safe care
- Strengthened patient safety and quality of care
- Enhanced workflow efficiency and team cohesion
- Support for revalidation and ongoing professional development

## Expert-Led, Practitioner-Focused

- Delivered by experienced perioperative practitioners
- Evidence-based and aligned with the AfPP Standards and Recommendations for Perioperative Practice 2022, NatSSIPs 2, and national frameworks
- Encourages peer-to-peer learning and collaborative problem-solving

## Flexible Delivery Options

- Bespoke team training: half-day or full-day sessions designed around your department's priorities
- Location: held at your hospital or another venue of convenience
- Engaging sessions: scenario-based and participatory where possible, with opportunities for discussion and reflection
- Pricing: based on delegate numbers and session duration; detailed quotes available on request

# Training Pathways

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## Clinical Practice

**Core knowledge and skills to deliver safe, effective perioperative care.**

- Infection prevention & control fundamentals for theatres
- Scrub practice essentials: surgical hand antisepsis, gowning & gloving, prepping & draping, safe instrument use, and accountable items ("The Count")
- Anaesthetic practice essentials: airway management, equipment, anaesthetic emergencies, perioperative normothermia, patient positioning
- Recovery practice fundamentals: patient monitoring, pain management, postoperative safety principles

## Safety & Quality

**Strengthening safety culture and improving patient outcomes.**

- NatSSIPs 2: The 8 Sequential Steps in Practice
- Human Factors
- Communication skills for safer practice
- Risk management, quality assurance, and audit
- Quality improvement fundamentals

## Leadership & Culture

**Developing leaders who inspire safe, inclusive, and high-performing teams.**

- Introduction to leadership
- Inclusivity and team collaboration
- Teamworking and communication
- Professionalism, accountability & reliability
- Communication and civility, including the AfPP Behaviours Charter
- Psychological safety and speaking up

## Professional Growth

**Supporting personal development, confidence, and lifelong learning.**

- Mentoring, coaching & supporting teams
- Coaching skills
- Giving and receiving feedback effectively
- The value and impact of CPD
- Understanding the role of the trainer



## Wellbeing & Resilience

Promoting personal well-being and sustainable careers.

- Emotional intelligence
- Reflection, resilience & personal growth
- Stress awareness and self-management
- Work-life balance and boundary setting

## CPD & Revalidation

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- All courses provide recognised CPD hours
- Templates and guidance for HCPC/NMC revalidation
- Supports staff competence and ongoing professional development

## Hospital Benefits at a Glance

- Safe, competent, and confident theatre teams
- Compliance with national standards and quality frameworks
- Reduced risk and improved patient outcomes
- Stronger team cohesion, communication, and leadership
- Flexible delivery to fit operational schedules



# Additional Services

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## Conferences & Events

- National & Regional Conferences – share best practice, stay updated on guidance, and network with peers.

Visit our website for our full events listing and contact us for group bookings:  
[afpp.org.uk/events](https://afpp.org.uk/events)

## Theatre Access Course for Medical Device Representatives

- Essential training for visitors entering operating departments
- Covers infection prevention, professional conduct, and theatre safety expectations
- Ensures consistent standards, reduces risk, and supports smoother workflows



### TESTIMONIAL

*The AfPP provided the team at Blackpool Teaching Hospital a course on leadership and human factors and patient safety, these sessions ran over 2 days on a weekend. Max and Olly delivered these subjects with a captivating and engaging delivery and the whole team provided positive feedback and thoroughly enjoyed. I would wholeheartedly recommend this session to anyone looking to develop their teams and would certainly look to book this again.*

**Blackpool Teaching Hospital**



# Next Steps & Booking

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- Discuss your tailored training needs with the AfPP Academy
- Receive a detailed quote based on session length, location, and number of delegates
- Schedule training dates



For enquiries or to book a service:

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