

Anaesthetists as Educators: ANTS (Anaesthetists' nontechnical skills)



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As early as the 1970's, the aviation industry realised that the majority of incidents and accidents which occurred were due to problems of *human failure* rather than *technical* error. Their solution was to introduce Crew Resource Management (CRM) training to address the underlying issues such as team working, communication and decision making.

In 2003 a taxonomy was developed to describe the *non-technical* or *cognitive/behavioural* aspects deemed most crucial in safe and effective anaesthetic practice, called the ANTS (Anaesthetists' Non-Technical Skills) Framework. This framework was designed to help anaesthetists recognise and assess non-technical behaviours and actions, in themselves and others.

This one-day course is designed for anaesthetic trainees and consultants, who wish to enhance their understanding of human factors and non-technical skills as applied to anaesthesia. It is also aimed at anaesthetists in a clinical or educational supervisor role, who wish to become more familiar with using ANTS for observation and feedback for trainees.





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Programme:

- 08:45–09:15 REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS
- 09:15–09:30 Welcome and course objectives
- 09:30–10:00 Introduction to ANTS
- 10:00–10:15 **Short activity** In pairs, discuss a simple critical incident (from pre-course homework)
- 10:15–11:15 Situation awareness
- 11:15–11:30 REFRESHMENTS AND NETWORKING
- 11:30–12:15 Decision making
- 12:15–13:00 Task management
- 13:00–13:45 LUNCH AND NETWORKING
- 13:45–14:30 **Team working**
- 14:30–15:00 Watch video 1 again (from pre-course homework)
- 15:00–15:15 REFRESHMENTS AND NETWORKING
- 15:15–15:45 **Short activity** In pairs, link critical incidents (from pre-course work) to NTS framework
- 15:45–16:45 Putting ANTS into practice

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