

# CLINICAL GOVERNANCE

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# WHAT IS CLINICAL GOVERNANCE?

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Clinical Governance is a system of accountability for quality, safety and experience for those individuals who receive any element of medical care. It ensures that clear clinical standards are in place, monitored and adhered to, and that the care is delivered as intended. (Standards of care for Police are determined by the College of Policing First Aid Learning Programme FALP).

A robust clinical governance system safeguards high standards and strives to reach and maintain clinical excellence. Training and actual care delivered is monitored using a quality improvement, structured methodology. (PRF reviews, identified issues, adaptations to practice, clinical updates, train the trainer, EQA and IQA activities).

By undertaking regular reviews of care, carrying out clinical audits and providing quality assurance, standards can be continuously improved upon and upheld. This includes learning from incidents which can support, protect and empower whilst also motivating others to improve.

Clinical governance can support education, training, professional development and ensures that staff and practices are current. By following set procedures, methods, and standards, patient care can be delivered safely and effectively with minimal risk of harm to both patient and care provider.

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## TAG CLINICAL GOVERNANCE TEAM

The ATACC Group (TAG) has over 20 years' experience of providing clinical governance to emergency services and high risk industry.

We are the largest single provider of clinical governance to UK Police and were awarded the current police contract for first aid training and clinical governance following tender.

Our Medical Director is a long standing Consultant in Anaesthetics and Critical Care medicine, HEMS Consultant, NHS Associate Medical Director and Medical Director for Police and Fire and Rescue Services.

All medical and first aid training and provision is overseen by The ATACC Group Medical Director who also leads our team of Medical Advisors, all of whom are NHS consultant level doctors, with extensive backgrounds in Emergency Medicine, Critical Care, Resuscitation and Pre Hospital care.

Our Director of Quality and Governance is an experienced pre hospital provider and a registered Paramedic of 24 years. He has extensive clinical governance and healthcare management experience gained as Quality Improvement Lead and Deputy Director of a Major Trauma and Critical Care Network.

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# **TAG CLINICAL GOVERNANCE SERVICES**

## **Aligned to the requirements of the current NPCC Local Clinical Governance for Police First Aid including:**

- Quarterly meetings, remotely or in person, with our Director of Quality & Governance and an assigned Medical Advisor/Director
- Medical direction: advising the force on medical issues
- Where appropriate and necessary develop and maintain operating procedures and procedural guidelines
- Provide a local link to regional and National groups e.g., National Clinical Panel
- Quality assurance (EQA) of the training of non-standard medical skills including delivery, materials, practice, performance, and assessment, regardless of whether that training is purchased or delivered in house
- Review significant incidents to identify any required changes in practice, training, or use of equipment
- Review and feedback of patient report forms/patient care records to inform and drive improvements in patient care
- Review any complaints received in relation to medical care delivered by police officers
- Provide a single point of contact for medical equipment evaluation & advice
- Monitor the use of medical skills by police officers
- Maintain a robust record of training and operational use of medical skills
- Advice on clinical matters should be independent of the delivery provider where provision is outsourced
- Informal clinical debriefings after fatal and other serious incidents upon request

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## **ADDITIONAL SERVICES INCLUDE:**

- Access to our Medical Director and wider ATACC Group Medical Advisory Group (MAG). The MAG is made up of medical professionals and specialists in the fields of medicine, nursing, pre hospital care, technical rescue, search and rescue, casualty care and tactical medicine
- Medical expertise and representation during Coroners/IOPC enquiries
- Provision of medical reports for Coroners/IOPC enquiries
- Representation and attendance by a Medical Advisor/Director at Legal and Court proceedings
- Expert witness and legal statements
- Supplementary training and CPD events
- Support, planning, and delivery of exercises and large scale training events
- Additional or bespoke services can be provided upon request

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