

## Advanced Life Support Program

### Information and Preparation for Practical Assessment

When you're ready to do your practical assessment, let us know by [submitting an enquiry](#) All assessors must be approved by CRANAplus before your assessment is completed.

The responsibility to organise the required documentation, equipment and venue for your assessment is yours.

#### Who can be an external assessor?

An external assessor must be approved by a member of the CRANAplus team **prior to completing your assessment**. If you undertake an assessment with somebody who is not an approved CRANAplus assessor your assessment will not be valid.

The assessor must hold a current BLS certificate and provide evidence to the CRANAplus team of their education qualification (for example a current Cert IV in Training & Assessment, post-graduate qualification in adult education or a CV of evidence in a current Educator role).

Prior to assessment please print and review the ALS assessment tool, which is available in the online modules and bring it to the assessment. The completed practical assessment tool will be then forwarded to CRANAplus to enable certification to be completed.

Equipment required for an ALS clinical assessment:

- Adult Mannequin – which allows simulation of CPR, defibrillation and airway insertion
- Defibrillator which can be used in manual mode e.g.: Zoll/Lifepack
- Defibrillator pads (adult)
- Airways: oropharyngeal, nasopharyngeal, LMA (size 3 fits most mannequins)
- Yankeur sucker and Y Suction catheter
- Magills forceps (for medical staff assessments only)
- Adult Hudson O<sub>2</sub> mask
- Bag valve mask
- IVC's
- 10 and 20ml syringes

If available:

- Ampoules of Adrenaline, Amiodarone, 5% dextrose and n/saline
- Stethoscope, BP cuff
- IV Fluids: e.g.: n/saline
- O<sub>2</sub> sat probe
- End tidal CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring device

For Assessments via Zoom:

- Computer/laptop/smart phone/tablet with working camera and Zoom (<https://zoom.us/>) which has been tested and is in working order.

The assessor will talk you through the process and answer any questions you have prior to the commencement of the assessment.

Allow time to familiarise yourself with equipment.