

# Perioperative Medicine in Action

Explore perioperative medicine, from what it is to why it matters and how you can improve care for the high-risk surgical patient.



Too many patients die or suffer prolonged complications following surgery.

Perioperative medicine is an emerging multi-disciplinary approach optimising the care of the high-risk surgical patient.

This course from UCL will cover all things perioperative medicine, helping you learn the key concepts to enable you to reduce healthcare costs and most importantly improve patient safety.

The course is endorsed by the Royal College of Anaesthetists.

Duration 4 weeks

3 hours per week

FREE online course

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## What will you achieve?

By the end of this course you will be able to:

- Justify the need for better, more holistic care for the high risk surgical patient, to improve outcomes and reduce healthcare costs.
- Demonstrate the need for protocolised care pathways and evaluate the success of the enhanced recovery programmes in reducing variance in practice.
- Discuss the current economic pressure on healthcare systems and how perioperative medicine can be used to reduce these pressures.
- Engage with risk assessment tools to characterise and quantify the risk of an individual undergoing a particular procedure.
- Describe the major challenges in delivering perioperative medicine for the elderly.

### Who is the course for?

This course is designed for all members of the multidisciplinary team who care for high-risk surgical patients:

- anaesthetists
- surgeons
- geriatricians
- pre-assessment nurses
- surgical ward nurses
- physiotherapists
- operating department staff
- medical managers
- GPs







"I feel inspired to bring some ideas to my practice"

Consultant Anaesthetist

"Wonderful thought provoking course"

Pre-assessment Nurse

"Will be recommending to all my colleagues"

Anaesthetic Trainee

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- Unlimited access to the course, for as long as it exists on FutureLearn

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