



DAN Dive Medicine for Divers



When you want to know more than just basic first aid techniques, Dive Medicine for Divers is your next step. Ultimately, more knowledge and a better understanding of how our bodies react to the pressures and stresses of diving lead to safer divers as we understand our limitations and the limitations of the situation.

Created as an educational program to answer many questions divers ask, this new modular program, Dive Medicine for Divers Level 1, includes sections on fitness to dive, safety planning and basic physical examinations.

The course includes a selection of new skills and practical applications, along with lecture topics presented by a DAN Instructor Trainer or Instructor and video programs and additional self-study information.

The first three modules are:

- **Basic Examinations** — this module teaches how to evaluate a diver's respiratory and cardiac function using a stethoscope.
- **Fitness to Dive** — this module discusses what it means to be physically fit enough to dive and the medical conditions that can keep divers out of the water. There is also a discussion of basic ear-clearing techniques.
- **Safety Planning** — this module includes processes and procedures to make your dives safer, but also discusses how to deal with the aftermath of a dive accident, including taking care of the diver's equipment for an investigation and taking care of the rescuers afterward.

Objectives

This educational program, Dive Medicine for Divers: Level 1, represents advanced knowledge development for divers interested in better understanding diving medicine and dive safety. It includes topics on Fitness to Dive, Safety Planning, Basic Physical Examinations, and it incorporates the DAN Diving Emergency Management Provider and On-Site Neurological Assessment for Divers courses (offered separately).

Program Objective

The program is designed to inform divers about what happens in a diving emergency and how diving affects their bodies. It provides a framework to educate interested divers in a series of topics not normally addressed in diving training.

Learning Objectives

Upon completing the components of the educational program, divers will understand the various skills involved in assessing and caring for an injured diver. They will also better understand how to prevent dive accidents and how to respond to them when they do happen.

Additionally, to meet the requirements of this educational program, divers must complete, or hold a current certification in the DAN Diving Emergency Management Provider (DEMP) course and the DAN On-Site Neurological Assessment for Divers Course. These materials are separate from the Dive Medicine for Divers: Level 1 materials.

Pre-requisites:

For this module: None

For certification:

BLS (for DEMP)

DEMP

Onsite-Neuro

Costs:

Course fee: \$269

DAN certification fee: \$10US

Note: Certification requires all requirements to be completed, including DEMP and On-Site Neuro.

Dates:

April 5, 2009 10am – 2pm (est)
At KDS

