

May 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

On 16 May we will be welcoming a team of experienced doctors, nurses and clinicians into the academy to run a workshop and teach students how to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and haemorrhage control to enable them to act as 'zero responders' before a first responder arrives. The workshop takes 90 minutes.

YourStance, who launched the organisation in 2019, were alarmed by the high number of young people arriving in hospital emergency departments with stab wounds, some of them fatal. Research at the Royal London Hospital (BMJ, 2018) showed how timely treatment and action could yield better health and life outcomes for young people seriously injured in youth violence. The YourStance programme is built on the passion and expertise of health professionals, who volunteer to offer their time and work.

Volunteers are all highly trained medical experts in emergency treatment and trauma, with broad professional exposure to issues surrounding serious youth violence. The aim of this workshop is to help reduce morbidity and mortality caused by serious youth violence by teaching more zero responders, challenge stigma and prejudice and tackle class and racial inequalities by reaching young people most harmed by such inequalities and have a positive impact on those we reach.

There are 20 spaces available for this workshop and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. If you wish for your child to attend the workshop please complete the google form below.

<https://forms.gle/FGbjkWKmh71M5kyJ9>

Yours sincerely

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