



## **SWIFT Medics**

### ***Wiltshire's Emergency Response Doctors Charity***

# About SWIFT Medics

---

**SWIFT Medics is a registered charity, whose volunteer doctors provide immediate medical care for emergencies in Wiltshire, involving both adults and children.**

**Doctors respond to calls 24/7 to attend the scene of 'accidents' or sudden severe serious medical conditions such as heart attacks, severe asthma or meningitis.**

# About SWIFT Medics

---

- Established in 1996
- Gained pace in 2009 to become a registered charity in 2010

**Co-Chair – Dr Adam Brownhill and Dr Jonathan Glover**  
**Scheme Secretary and PR Officer– Mrs Clare Brownhill**  
**Treasurer – Mrs Joanne Flann**  
**Trustees – Mr Bob Holman and Mr Simon Benney**

- **SWIFT Medics have 10 member doctors operating across the county of Wiltshire. Doctors attend incidents in their “spare time”. All doctors have working positions in addition to SWIFT Medics.**
- **All doctors and staff work on a volunteer basis – no fees or salaries are paid to any member of SWIFT Medics.**

# SWIFT Medics Skill Base

---

- **Strong emergency response experience – GP and hospital based, trained for critical and emergency care through present working positions and with additional SWIFT Medics funded training**
- **Members of British Association of Medical Care**
- **SWIFT Medics and each individual doctor has strong working links with Great Western Ambulance Service and Wiltshire Air Ambulance with knowledge and links to all local hospitals.**
- **Each doctor fully equipped for emergency use including critical care drugs and high tech monitors and defibrillators carried in own vehicles for immediate response.**

# How SWIFT Medics work

---

- **Calls come into 999 system**
- **Within 30 seconds a trained operator can request the attendance of a SWIFT Medics doctor.**
- **SWIFT Medics are the only doctors available to call on by both the NHS funded Great Western Ambulance Service and the charitably funded Wiltshire Air Ambulance.**

# Incidents SWIFT Medics attend

---

Currently about half of SWIFT Medics calls are for accidents , road traffic or otherwise with the other half for medical emergencies

- Road Traffic Collision often involving multiple casualties
- Farm or factory, aviation, equestrian or motorsport emergencies
- Severe head injuries, Severe burns Cardiac arrest
- Severe asthma, Suspected severe meningitis,
- Limb amputation or partial amputation/entrapment
- Significant paediatric trauma, Significantly unwell children
- Obstetric emergencies involving trauma or pre-term birth

# Statistics 2010

---

## February to August 2010

**72 incidents responded to by SWIFT Medics**

**Accidents – 49**

**Medical call outs – 23**

**Stand down – 8**

**Treated over 115 casualties**

**59 transferred to hospital**

**52 treated at scene and discharged**

**8 fatalities**

# SWIFT Medics Funding

---

- No Funding from NHS or emergency services sector
  - No funding from local government

***SWIFT Medics is 100% funded by the generosity of donations from the general public and other charitable organisations***

# Where the money goes

---

- **Funding 10 doctors operating in Wiltshire**

- to provide up to date medical equipment for use at trauma incidents
  - to provide all drugs needed for the use at trauma incidents
  - to fund doctors for response driving courses with Wiltshire Police
  - to fund doctors in the emergency medical care courses they need

Approximate cost to do this is £18,000 per annum

- **Identifying and training new emergency response doctors (1)**

- to provide kit and drugs needed in own vehicles
  - to provide response driving courses and emergency medical care courses

Approximate cost to do this is £10,000

# SWIFT Medics in 2011

---

**SWIFT Medics need to raise**

**£38,000**

**to keep doctors on the road and to train  
and equip two new members to increase  
SWIFT Medics reach across Wiltshire.**

# SWIFT Medics

---

**SWIFT Medics**  
**Registered Charity 1133797**

**c/o Marlborough Medical Practice**  
**George Lane**  
**Marlborough**  
**Wiltshire**  
**SN8 4BY**

**Tel: 01672 512187**  
**[info@swiftmedics.net](mailto:info@swiftmedics.net)**

