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**This course will enable participants to gain the skills to correctly use a safety lancet to obtain capillary a blood sample, to use an on site analyser to obtain results and to undertake a basic interpretation of those results if appropriate.**

The course falls into three parts, the first being a general instruction as to how to take a capillary sample, the second being instructions as to how to correctly use the client's analyser of choice - which will be developed with each individual client and the appropriate manufacturer, and the third being a practical demonstration of the skills required, a period of physical practice and then an assessment of the skills developed.

This course is accredited by ONE AWARDS and is so far as we are aware the only training for the capillary blood samples which has the backing of a recognised educational awarding body.

The training will cover the following topics

- Introduction
- What is a Capillary
- Health and Safety and Needlestick Injuries
- Infection Control
- Site Selection
- Equipment required
- Collection technique
- Procedure
- Use of analyser
- Basic interpretation of results
- Practical session and Assessment



We will work with each individual client to tailor make the content of this course to their specific requirements – we are aware that different manufacturers require different practices prior to the analysis of a sample and are aware that each analyser is used in a slightly different way and will ensure that staff are trained to optimize the collection process to produce the best most consistent results