



## **One Day Handler/ First Responder Advanced Scope**

### **Program Overview**

The One Day Handler program is designed for K9 handlers and first responders, so you'll be prepared to respond wherever and whenever a K9 emergency occurs. Topics range from safe K9 handling and comprehensive assessments (M3ARCH3) to treating the most common emergencies such as heat stroke and bloat/GDV, as well as tactical injuries such as gunshot wounds.

ArK9MEDIC delivers this entry-level offering with our interactive format. Students experience interactive lectures and demos and also get hands-on with all-class practice sessions. Skill stations focus on a particular field skill and ensure that each student has accurate muscle memory to ensure skillful delivery long after the class is complete. Primary interventions are repeated until students can do them, literally, blindfolded. Each station is designed to build on existing knowledge and translate human medical skills to canine anatomy. Assessment skills are performed on live and our high-fidelity SIM dogs, going beyond basic vitals to teach students how to conduct ongoing observations and to identify and prevent injuries and illness early in development. Handling includes basic carries and constraints and can include advanced handling such as harness lifts and extractions.

This course also offers the "Advanced Scope" option for those handlers and first responders who will face environments that require additional medical support. For example, we teach subcutaneous fluid administration, a simple skill that can help prevent heat injuries, a leading cause of death in Working K9S. We also include needle decompressions of the chest to treat tension pneumothorax and needle decompressions of the stomach to treat GDV/Bloat. IV fluid administration is also an option in this program level.

Solo and/or Team Scenarios then put these skillsets into the likely field environment and require the student to put together an entire treatment sequence, problem-solving the situation as they go. Scenarios are based on the skillset, equipment, and mission profile of each team. For example, GSWs, IEDs, or collapsed building compression injuries may be included depending on the mission profile.

## **Your Program Your Protocols Your Training**

As your agency begins new initiatives to incorporate K9 pre-veterinary emergency medical support, we can support you every step of the way. Before training begins, we can work with you and your team to establish appropriate protocols for multiple skill levels, specific to your team's needs, medical direction, and any applicable compliance legislation. We also provide an individualized emergency medication card for every K9 enrolled in any course, complete with weight-based doses and equipment sizing for Paramedics to utilize if lifesaving advanced skills are required.

## **Continuing Education,...We Deliver**

*Maintaining all your training certifications and responding on missions is hard enough, and there is an increasing need to support the canine element of the team. There aren't enough hours in the week to get all the training you need, and you need to get the most out of every training you do. And at the end of the day, the only training that matters is the training you remember when it's dark, cold, cramped, and you can't hear because your ears are still ringing from shots fired.*

Every student will be enrolled in the K9MEDIC Online Academy. This will allow access to free content modules, up-to-date treatment changes, and course materials to review before and after.

## **Cost Options:**

Group Pricing: Designed for a large group or multi-jurisdictional training. Offers a group discount of \$1400 at maximum capacity.

Cost: \$3600

Maximum number of students: 25

Individual Pricing: designed for smaller departments or private training.

Cost: \$200 per person

Minimum number of students: 13

Maximum number of students: 17