

Manual Vacuum Aspiration Course

Saturday, 4 October 2025 | Whittington Hospital, London

Description

MVA is an alternative to electric suction or dilatation and curettage for evacuation of the uterine contents. The MVA procedure is performed with a hand-operated vacuum syringe, typically under local anaesthetic, in a treatment room. With the high safety profile of this procedure and the increasing potential for the delivery of uterine evacuation outside of the theatre, there is a need to improve access to MVA in the UK. In addition to providing a grounding in the MVA procedure, this course covers the equipment, staffing, analgesia and other requirements for surgical uterine evacuation in the outpatient setting.

Agenda

09:00 – 09:10 Welcome and Introduction (Patricia Lohr)

09:10 – 09:30 MVA Overview (Patricia Lohr)

09:30 – 10:15 Pre-procedure Considerations and Pain Management (Jonathan Lord)

10:15 – 11:30 MVA device and procedure, including papaya workshop (Rebecca McKay)

11:30 – 11:45 Break

11:45 – 12:15 Management of Challenges and Complications (Amelia Schamroth)

12:15 – 12:30 Q&A

12:30 Close