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# GP POCUS HANDS-ON COURSE



- Topic:** Thoracic, Abdominal & MSK Ultrasound Scanning for General Practitioners
- Dates:**
- 1** **Day 1:** Hands-On Workshop  
May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 8:30am - 4:30pm
  - 2** **6 months** of ongoing case supervision and mentoring
  - 3** **Day 2:** Finishing School  
Late 2024
- Venue:** PEI, Ballymount, Dublin, D12 FY26
- Facilitators:** Dr Andy Walden & Dr Lorenzo Christoni

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ATTENDEE FEEDBACK

“ Since May 2023, I have received an incredible opportunity to learn so much about sonography. The Butterfly device is a powerful tool in GP Practice that enables quicker and more thorough investigations for patients and aids in diagnostics on a daily basis. ”

**Dr Helena Traskowska-Fangor**

Mohill Primary Care Centre, Mohill, Co. Leitrim

“ Ever since I took the leap of faith to turn my interest in ultrasound into reality, my love for medicine has grown tenfold. I wish I was taught using this new technology (sooner) as it's the future. I am very grateful for Promed for kickstarting the ways of POCUS here in Ireland. ”

**Dr Miklos Penzes**

Lettermore Health Centre, Lettermore, Co. Galway



## OVERVIEW

This Point-of-Care Ultrasound course is structured specifically for General Practitioners and provides attendees with information around image acquisition, probe manipulation, image reporting, uploading to the cloud and information on common pathology.

As well as attending the hands-on workshop, attendees will also receive ongoing supervision and mentoring of cases for approximately 6 months after the workshop (which includes individualised case supervision, online Masterclass sessions and an interim in-person day with the faculty). The course is then concluded with an in-person 'finishing school' training day to consolidate knowledge and demonstrate competence.

## REQUIREMENTS TO ATTEND

This GP POCUS course is for users of the Butterfly iQ+ Ultrasound Probe. All attendees will need to own an iQ+ Ultrasound Probe and be setup with access to the Butterfly Network cloud, prior to being accepted as an attendee to this course.

Butterfly iQ+ probes are available on a monthly subscription model starting from €179 per month (excluding VAT).

## COURSE FACILITATORS



**Dr Andrew Walden** is a Consultant in Acute and Intensive Care Medicine at the Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust and has been interested in the role of POCUS since 2008. Dr Walden helped develop Focused Ultrasound in Intensive Care (FUSIC) competencies and chaired the Focused Acute Medicine Ultrasound (FAMUS) committee from 2016 to 2018.

He has published widely on the use of lung ultrasound in a range of settings including resource poor countries. He believes strongly that POCUS greatly improves the care and flow of patients and is a champion of a multidisciplinary approach.



**Dr Lorenzo Cristoni** is a Consultant in Acute Medicine at Frimley Park Hospital. He is an enthusiast FICE, CUSIC and FAMUS mentor with 20 years of experience in point-of-care ultrasound and a particular commitment in promoting POCUS as the 5th pillar of the clinical examination in all the courses where he teaches.

Dr Cristoni is an expert in abdominal US, with a particular interest in ultrasound of the intestine, and in the integrated heart-lung-IVC sonographic approach to the acutely unwell patient.

Dr Walden and Cristoni are experienced in delivering POCUS training and case support to different types of clinical groups.



## TRAINING OVERVIEW

This training course involves attendance to a full day workshop, followed up with 6 months of ongoing supervision and mentorship, as well as a 'finishing school'. Each aspect of the training is outlined below.

### 1 **Day 1: In-Person POCUS Hands-On Workshop**

A full day workshop held on the 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2024, covering Thoracic, Abdominal & MSK Scanning for General Practitioners.

### 2 **Supervision & Mentoring (6 month period)**

Dr Andy Walden & Dr Lorenzo Cristoni will provide overall and continued supervision of each candidate. This involves:

- Review of scans using the Butterfly Cloud
- Written and live video feedback of the above
- Individualised supervision of each candidate
- Access to 6 online Masterclass sessions
- An interim in-person day with the faculty

Mentoring of individual scans is delegated to recognised mentors in Ultrasound including:

- Trained Sonographers for abdominal/musculoskeletal ultrasound
- Trained Physiotherapists for lung ultrasound

### 3 **Day 2: In-Person Finishing School**

Held approximately 7 months after the hands-on workshop and involves:

- In- Person scanning
- Review of log books
- Triggered assessments
- Demonstration of competence
- Opportunity to scan additional normal pathology



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## SUMMARY OF SUPERVISION SCHEDULE

	Thoracic	Abdominal	MSK
Directly Supervised Scans	10 scans (20 lungs)	10 scans	10 Scans
Mentored Scans	30 scans (60 lungs)	30 scans	20 Scans
Indicative Training	6 months from 1st supervised scan	4 months	6 months
No. of images per scan	6 images	8 images	3 images
Review time per scan	20 mins	20 mins	15 mins

## COST

**€5,500 per delegate (this course is exempt from VAT).**

This cost includes two full days of training (Day 1 Hands-On Workshop & Day 2 Finishing School), plus 6 months of ongoing case supervision/mentoring in-between.

Please note this price is for training only and does not include the cost of purchasing a Butterfly Network Probe & the required software.

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## CPD CREDITS

CPD recognition is applied for with this course.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Places are limited, so please contact [davidm@promed.ie](mailto:davidm@promed.ie) for more information or to confirm your attendance.