

AACE	Association of Ambulance Chief Executives
ABCD <sup>2</sup>	Age, Blood Pressure, Clinical Features, Duration and Diabetes
A&E	Accident and Emergency
ACA	Ambulance Care Assistant
ACAO	Assistant Chief Ambulance Officer
ACC	Ambulance Communication Centre
ACCOLC	Access Overload Control
ACP	Ambulance Control Point
ACQI	Ambulance Clinical Quality Indicator
ADO	Assistant Divisional Officer
AED	Automated external defibrillator
AF	Atrial Fibrillation
AfC or A4C	Agenda for change
AI	Adverse Incident
AIC	Ambulance Incident Commander
AIR	Adverse Incident Report
ALE	Auditors Local Evaluation
ALP	Ambulance Loading Point
ALS	Advanced life

	support
	Advanced
AMPDS	Medical Priority Dispatch System
	Ambulance
APP	Parking Point
	Aeronautical
ARCC	Reserve Co- ordinator Centre
	Ambulance Radio
ARP	Programme
	Ambulance
ASA	Service
	Association
	Automatic Vehicle
AVLS	Location System

## B

B&P	Bournemouth and Poole
BASICS	British Association for Immediate Care
BLCH	Blandford Community Hospital
BLTC	Blandford Treatment Centre (UCS)
BMA	British Medical Association
BNF	British National Formulary
BNSSG	Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire
BrCH	Bridport Community Hospital
BrTC	Bridport Treatment Centre (UCS)
BS	Bowel Sounds
BTC	Bournemouth Treatment Centre (UCS)
BTS	British Thoracic Society
BuTC	Burnham Treatment Centre (UCS)
BwH	Bridgwater Community Hospital
BWMH	Burnham War Memorial Hospital
BwTC	Bridgwater Treatment Centre (UCS)

## C

C3	Command, Control and Communication
CA	Clinical Advisor
CAD	Control and Dispatch System
CAU	Clinical Assessment Unit
CBRN	Chemical, Biological, Radiation, Nuclear
CBRNE	Chemical, Biological, Nuclear, Radiological And Explosive Training or Preparedness
CCC	Civil Contingencies Committee
CCF	Congestive Cardiac Failure
CCG	Clinical Commissioning Group
CcH	Christchurch Hospital
CCS	Civil Contingencies Secretariat
CD	Controlled Drug
CDU	Clinical Decisions Unit
CEAP	Cash Escalation Action Plan
CEC	Civil Emergencies Committee
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CFOS	Counter Fraud Operational Service
CFPAB	Counter Fraud Professional Accreditation Board
CFR	Community First Responder
CFSMS	Counter Fraud Security Management Services
CH	Chard Hospital
CI	Clinical Incident
CID	Critical Incident Debrief
CIOSPCT	Cornwall and Isles of Scilly PCT
CIP	Cost Improvement Programme
CIS	Cost Improvement Strategy
CkH	Crewkerne Hospital
CNST	Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts
COBR	Cabinet Office Briefing Room
CoG	Council of Governors
COM	Complaint
COMAH	Control of Major Accidents

	Hazards (Regulations)
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
CPAP	Continuous Positive Airway Pressure
CPD	Continuous Professional Development
CQC	Care Quality Commission
CQUIN	Commissioning for Quality and Innovation
CRT	Conflict Resolution Training
CS	Call Sheet (UCS)
CSN	Community Staff Nurse
CSO	Clinical Support Officer
CSV	Clinical Support Vehicle
CVA	Cerebral Vascular Accident

## D

D&S	Dorset and Somerset
D&V	Diarrhoea and Vomiting
DAT	Dorset Ambulance Service NHS Trust
DCA	Double Crewed Ambulance
DCH	Dorset County Hospital
DDoC	Devon Doctors on Call
DECS	Dorset Emergency Care Service
DH	Department of Health
DN	District Nurse
DoH	Department of Health
DoS	Directory of Services
DSH	Deliberate Self Harm
DTC	Dorchester Treatment Centre (UCS)
DVT	Deep Vein Thrombosis
Dx	Diagnose

## E

e-KSF	Electronic Key Skills Framework
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ECA	Emergency Care Assistant
ECG	Electrocardiogram
ECP	Emergency Care Practitioner
ECSW	Emergency Care Support Worker
EMD	Emergency Medical Dispatcher
ENP	Emergency Nurse Practitioner
EPD	Electronic Personal Dosimeter
ERC	Emergency Reserve Channel
ESR	Electronic Staff Record
ESU	Equipment Support Unit
ETA	Estimate Time of Arrival

## F

FBOS	First Bike On Scene
FCP	Forward Command Point
FIC	Finance and Investment Committee
FLEET	Front Line Emergency Equipment Trust
FLV	Front Line Vehicle
FOI	Freedom of Information
FRV	First Response Vehicle
FT	Foundation Trust
FTE	Full Time Equivalent (whole time equivalent)
FVH	From Victoria Hospital

## G

GCS	Glasgow Coma Scale
GO	Government Office
GP	General Practitioner
GPSC	General Practitioners Support Centre
GRS	Global Rostering System
GSO	Group Station Officer
GTN	Glyceryl Trinitrate
GTPS	Government Telephone Preference Scheme

## H

HART	Hazardous Area Response Team
HAT	Health Advice Team
HALO	Hospital Ambulance Liaison Officer
HAZMAT	Hazardous Material
HC	Health Centre
HCA	Health Care Assistant
HCS	Hospital Car Service
HCP	Health Care Professional
HEMS	Helicopter Emergency Medical Service
HESW	Health Education South West
HO	Head Office
HPA	Health Protection Agency
HPC	Health Professions Council
HRG	Health Resources Group
H&S	Health and Safety
HSE	Health and Safety Executive
HSJ	Health Service Journal
HV	Home Visit or Health Visitor
Hx	History

## I

IBP	Integrated Business Plan
ICCS	Integrated Communications Control System
ICPR	Integrated Corporate Performance Report
ICT	Information, Communication and Technology
IG	Information Governance
IHCD	Institute of Health Care and Professional Development
IM	Intra Muscular
IM&T	Information Management and Technology
INR	International Normalised Ratio
IO	Investigating Officer
IR	Incident Report
IRF	Interview Reading File

IV Intra Venous  
IWL Improving Working Lives

## J

JANCC Joint Ambulance Negotiating  
and Consultation Committee  
JCB Joint Commissioning Board  
JNCC Joint Negotiating Consultative  
Committee  
JRCALC Joint Royal Colleges  
Ambulance Liaison Committee

## K

K+ Potassium +  
KPI Key Performance Indicators  
KSF Key Skills Framework

## L

LP Lead Paramedic  
LECA Lead Emergency Care  
Assistant  
LCFS Local Counter Fraud  
Specialist  
LCP Liverpool Care Pathway  
LGD Lead Government  
Department  
LINKs Local Involvement Networks  
LMS Lyme NHS Medical Services  
LRF Local Resilience Forum  
LRTC Lyme Regis Treatment  
Centre  
LTC Local Treatment Centre  
LTI Life Threatening Incident  
LVF Left Ventricular Failure

## M

MACC Military Aid to the Civil  
Community  
MACP Military Aid to the Civil Power  
MACR Major Accident Control  
Regulations (2000)

MAOGD	Military Aid to Other Government Departments
MaPSaF	Manchester Patient Safety Framework
MAU	Medical Assessment Unit / Medical Admissions Unit
MAVIS	Master Added Value Investment Strategy
MC	Medical Centre
MCA	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
MCU	Mobile Control Unit
MDT	Mobile Data Terminal
MDU	Medical Defence Union
ME	Myalgic Encephalopathy
MEAP	Mitigating Escalatory Action Plan
MEC	Making Experiences Count
MERIT	Mobile Emergency Response Incident Team
MH	Minehead Hospital
MI	Myocardial Infarction
MIC	Medical Incident Commander
MIMMS	Major Incident Medical Management and Support
MIU	Minor Injuries Unit
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MP	Member of Parliament
MPH	Musgrove Park Hospital
MTC	Minehead Treatment Centre (UCS)
MTU	Minor Treatment Unit

## N

NASS	Nerve Agent Antidote Service
NCI	Non Clinical Incident
NDHCT	North Devon Healthcare NHS Trust
NED	Non Executive Director
NESDOC	North East Somerset Doctor



	on Call
NHS	National Health Service
NHSD	NHS Direct
NHSI	NHS Improvement
NHSLA	National Health Service Litigation Authority
NICE	National Institute for Clinical Excellence
NP	Nurse Practitioner
NPE	National Proactive Exercises
NPIS	National Poisons Information Service

## O

OD	Overdose
OLM	Operational Locality Manager
OM	Operational Manager
OO	Operational Officer
OOH	Out of Hours
OSC	Overview and Scrutiny Committee
OST	Operational Suppliers Department
OSD	Operational Suppliers Technician
OTC	Over The Counter

## P

PALS	Patient Advice and Liaison Service
PATH Scheme	Prevention of Admission to Hospital
PbR	Payment by Results
PCR	Patient Clinical Record
PCT	Primary Care Trust
PDC	Public Dividend Capital
PEC	Professional Executive Committee
PF	Professional Feedback
PGD	Patient Group Direction
PGH	Poole General Hospital
PHT	Pre Hospital Treatment /

PHTLS	Plymouth Hospitals Trust Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support
PIP	Performance Improvement Plan
PMH	Past Medical History
PoCH	Portland Community Hospital
PoTC	Portland Treatment Centre
PPCT	Plymouth Primary Care Trust
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
PPI	Patient and Public Involvement
PPIF	Patient and Public Involvement Forum
PPPG	Personnel, Policies and Procedures Group
PMAA	Preventative Maintenance & Annual Audit
PR	Public Relations
PRF	Patient Report Form
PROMIS	Scheduling System
PSV	Pathways Support Vehicle
PT	Patient
PTC	Poole Treatment Centre (UCS)
PTS	Patient Transport Service
PU	Pass Urine
Px	Prescription

## Q

Q&A	Question and Answer
QIPP	Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention

## R

RAMP	Reception Arrangements for Military Patients
RAPID UK	Rescue and Preparedness in Disasters - UK

RAYNET	Amateur Radio Operators
RBCH	Royal Bournemouth and Christchurch Hospitals
RBH	Royal Bournemouth Hospital
RCHT	Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust
RD&E	Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital
REAP	Resourcing Escalatory Action Plan
REPPIR	Radiation Emergency Preparedness and Public Information Regulations
RGH	Registered General Nurse
ROC	Resource Operations Centre
ROLE	Recognition of Life Extinct
ROSC	Return of Spontaneous Circulation
RoSPA	The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents
RNAS	Royal Naval Air Station
RPST	Risk Pooling Scheme for Trusts
RRT	Regional Resilience Team
RRV	Rapid Response Vehicle
RTA	Road Traffic Accident
RTB	Return To Base
RTC	Road Traffic Collision
RVP	Rendezvous Point
Rx	Prescribed

## S

S4BH	Standards for Better Health
SAO	Sub Acute Obstruction
SAR	Search and Rescue
SCC	Strategic Coordinating Centre
SCG	Strategic Coordinating Group
SD	Syringe Driver
SDH	Salisbury District Hospital
SHA	Strategic Health Authority
SHO	Senior House Officer
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SLCH	St Leonards Community

	Hospital
SLR	Service Line Reporting
SLTC	St Leonards Treatment Centre (UCS)
SMARTER	Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time-bound, Evaluate, Reevaluate
SmCH	Shepton Mallet Community Hospital
SMS	Short Messaging Service
SmTC	Shepton Mallet Treatment Centre
SNOD	Senior Nurse on Duty
SOB	Short of Breath
SOE	Sequence of Events
SORT	Special Operations Response Team
SP	Specialist Paramedic
SPoA	Single Point of Access
	South Pertherton
SPARC	Assessment & Re-ablement Centre
SPH	South Pertherton Hospital
SR	Situation Report
STARS	Short Term Assessment and Re-ablement Service
STAT	Statim (Latin for immediately)
STC	Shaftesbury Treatment Centre
SUCH	Somerset Unscheduled Care Hub
	South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust
SWASFT	South Western Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust
SwCH	Swanage Community Hospital
SwTC	Swanage Treatment Centre
Sx	Symptoms

## T

TAP	Transport Access People
TC	Treatment Centre
TDA	Trust Development Agency

TDGH	Taunton District General Hospital
TESS	Tele Communications Emergency Service Station
TIA	Transient Ischaemic Attack
TRIN	To Return If Needed
TTC	Taunton Treatment Centre (UCS)
TTO	To Take Out
TUPE	Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations

## U

UCS	Urgent Care Service
UK	United Kingdom
UKHIS	United Kingdom Hazard Information System
UTCA	Urgent Transfer Care Assistant
UTI	Urinary Tract Infection

## V

VAS	Voluntary Aid Societies
VDI	Vehicle Daily Inspection
VFM	Value for Money
VH	Verrington Hospital
VIP	Very Important Person
VPN	Virtual Private Network
VOR	Vehicle Off the Road
VSOB	Very Short of Breath
VT	Ventricular Tachycardia

## W

WbCH	Wimborne Community Hospital
WDCH	Wellington and District Cottage Hospital
WDGH	West Dorset General Hospital
WH	Williton Hospital
WhCH	Wareham Community Hospital
WMdH	West Mendip Hospital
WMH	Westminster Memorial Hospital
WTC	Weymouth Treatment Centre

WTE Whole Time Equivalent  
WyCH Weymouth Community Hospital

**X**

**Y**

YDH

Yeovil District Hospital

YH

Yeatman Hospital

YTC

Yeovil Treatment Centre  
(UCS)

**Z**