Insurance

Trained first aid personnel rendering assistance within the bounds of their training will not, in law, be considered to be negligent and, therefore, subject to legal action.

The College provides, through its public liability insurance policy, indemnification for any first aider who assists an employee who has an accident or has become ill at work, either on or off the premises. The same cover will apply where treatment is provided to either students or members of the public where this is in connection with the business of the College. For example, a member of staff providing treatment to a conference guest or a member of academic staff providing treatment to a student on an organised field trip would be covered. In situations not arising from College business (e.g. treatment of a casualty in your home town, or at a school fete) you would need to have your own public liability insurance.

When training through the Health and Safety Office, St John Ambulance will provide all students with Associate Membership Insurance cover for the duration of the validity of their training qualification. This insurance covers students against claims arising from first aid they may have delivered outside of their workplace responsibilities and when not covered by employer’s (or any other) insurance. If you have not trained through St John Ambulance you should obtain your own personal cover as the College’s insurance is contingent on this requirement.

Further advice and details on personal liability insurance can be obtained from a member of staff in the College’s Health and Safety Office.

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