

## Plans to Equip Young People with Live Saving Skills Following Tragic Manchester Attack

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Xplode Magazine, based in Bolton has pledged to train young people across Greater Manchester in life-saving skills following Monday's terror attack on Manchester.

### Xplode Magazine's CEO, Saeed Atcha said:

"At least 5 of our young volunteers were at the Ariana Grande concert on Monday night.

"We are deeply saddened and shocked at the news and when we found out that members of our team were amongst the concert-goers, there was a large level of pain. We're happy to say that they're all safe and well, though badly shook and upset.

"Our emergency services did a wonderful job running towards the danger, as we ran away from it and it's times like this that remind us of the importance of life-saving skills. At Xplode we aim to train Bolton's young people in emergency first aid and heart-start procedures so that young people can help.

"We've seen fantastic community spirit across Greater Manchester. There is more that unites us than divides us and we truly stand together, with Manchester."

The training, organised by a group of 14-20-year-olds will take place in locations across Greater Manchester.

### Lydia German, a volunteer at Xplode says:

"If I was at the Arena on Monday, I wouldn't have even known what to do - I still feel helpless. Everybody should have basic first-aid skills to start with. I think this is important because you never know when you might it - it might not be at such a tragic event, it might even come in use at home.

"If you could save somebody's life in those crucial few minutes, it would just be amazing."

The plans for this training will be open to all of Bolton's young people and the details of the free training will be posted online at [xplodemag.co.uk](http://xplodemag.co.uk)

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