Lance Corporal Sarah Bushbye

Called in to action

I remember we were just in the southern Green Zone and I was sitting in the compound and there was another call sign out, in the sort of ploughed field next to us. We were all chatting away and speaking to the locals and everything and this bang went off and I was like 'oh', and there were like casualties. I was like 'oh God'. But I knew there was another medic out, out there with them with the call sign that was injured, so we just waiting to find out if I needed to go and then I'm like 'yes, you have to go' and there's sort of RPG's coming over and I'm thinking 'oh God this is it, this is it. I've got to do something now'

And I got over the wall and I saw them running up with the casualty on a stretcher and he was pretty bad, he'd lost all his limbs, mm, there was just like a body and a head on the stretcher and he was awake as well. And Sarah, the other medic, she'd already sort of put the tourniquets on and that and they were trying to get him towards the HLS. And I just remember thinking 'oh my God, am I going to be all right, am I going to like handle this'? But when I got up to him we just sort of cracked on.

And it was just like, like training really. And you just sort of just do it.