

ACLS and/or PALS INSTRUCTOR or MEDICAL DIRECTOR REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

ACLS & PALS Instructor Course Prerequisites:

1. Current Heart & Stroke Foundation of Canada Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider – Level C, current HSFC ACLS provider status to apply for the ACLS Instructor course, current HSFC PALS provider status to apply for the PALS Instructor course. Refer to your provider cards for the issue and expiry date.
2. Application to and acceptance into an ACLS and/or PALS Instructor course. Upcoming Instructor course dates at www.resuscitationeducation.ca under the heading “Courses and Instructors”, then “Advanced Life Support (ALS) Courses” and contact the appropriate training centre.
3. Successful completion of the ACLS and/or PALS Instructor course.

Instructor Monitoring:

Upon successful completion of the ACLS and/or PALS Instructor course the provisional instructor shall be **monitored within six months on a two-day provider course**. The course medical director and/or course coordinator will observe, support, provide feedback and complete the Instructor monitor form. It is the responsibility of the provisional instructor to submit the form to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Alberta (HSFA) Resuscitation Education office. Based upon the recommendations of the course medical director, course coordinator and the Resuscitation Education office, the provisional instructor will be registered as an instructor, receive an instructor card and supporting documentation regarding services and annual registration requirements.

Medical Director Monitoring:

Once a physician has gained experience as an instructor (experienced instructor criteria in the Instructor Resource for Resuscitation Programs (IRRP) Page 20, 2.3.5) , he/she may apply to the Resuscitation Education office to become an ACLS or PALS medical director. The Resuscitation Education office partners the medical director candidate with a registered medical director approved by the Resuscitation Committee who **shall monitor the candidate on a two day provider course**. The course medical director and course coordinator will observe, support, provide feedback and complete the Medical Director monitor form. It is the responsibility of the medical director candidate to submit the form to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Alberta (HSFA) Resuscitation Education office. Based upon recommendations of the course medical director and course coordinator, the medical director candidate will be registered as a medical director, receive a medical director card and supporting documentation regarding services and annual registration requirements.

Registration:

All of the following requirements must be met in order to remain current on the HSFA Resuscitation Education database:

1. Instruct (or direct if appropriate) **at least one course per year, per instructor designation**. (year is April-April)
2. Submit \$50.00 registration and review fee, annually by April 1st.
3. Attend an Instructor Update workshop every three years and when Emergency Cardiac Care guidelines change.

Reciprocity:

Please contact the Resuscitation Education office at (780) 733-3689, toll-free: 1-877-473-0333, email: re@hsf.ab.ca