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To: All HSFA BLS Instructor Trainers and Instructors

From: Mike Hoffman, Manager Resuscitation Education

Re: **Physical Limitations**

Basic Life Support courses, by their design, are physically taxing to all participants. In order to accommodate those participants who are physically unable to perform skills on the floor, they may complete the practice time and proceed through the competency testing component with the mannequin on an elevated surface. All competencies must be met to achieve successful course completion.

In the event a provider is faced with an actual sudden cardiovascular event, witnessed or unwitnessed, it is the expectation of the provider to immediately initiate appropriate patient treatment where the patient is found.

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