



PALS Provider Course

- **Prerequisite**

Candidate must be a healthcare provider (medical, nursing, paramedical or allied health professional) whose daily occupation or volunteer activities demand proficiency in the knowledge and skills of PALS. Others may attend the course at the discretion of the course director. Candidates are required to read course materials before the class.

Candidates are encouraged, but not required to have successfully completed a BLS Healthcare Provider course within the past 2 years.

Candidates will be required to demonstrate proficiency in BLS CPR (including mouth to barrier device/mouth to mouth) and FBAO skills repeatedly during the course.

- **Textbook**

AHA Textbook for Pediatric Advanced Life Support; Guidelines for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiac Care (JAMA, October 28, 1992) and the Emergency Cardiac Care Handbook for Healthcare Providers should be available to each candidate.

- **Target Audience**

Designed for healthcare professionals who are interested in learning knowledge and skills necessary to perform in the actual resuscitation of a child.

- **Content**

The core of PALS courses must be the evaluation and management of a child in respiratory or cardiac distress. This core content is listed in the textbook. All courses will include the scenarios from the textbook.

- **Successful Completion**

1. Attendance at all sessions of the course.
2. A thorough knowledge of course content.
3. A score of 84% or better must be achieved on the written test.
4. Completion, to the satisfaction of the instructor, of the case scenarios.

- **Cards**

PALS course completion cards may be issued only after the student has successfully completed all core skills and has demonstrated knowledge of core course content.

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