

ECC Instructor Course Matrix

This matrix was developed as a guide to aid instructors in determining which course suits their needs. The jobs and positions listed in the “Audience” column are neither all-inclusive nor restrictive. Instructors should not use the “Audience” column as criteria for admission to the course.

Course	Course Description	Audience	Student Materials	Card Type
BLS Instructor	This course provides instructor candidates with the knowledge and skills necessary to teach Basic Life Support (BLS) courses for health-care providers and lay rescuers. BLS Instructors may teach the BLS for Healthcare Providers and Heartsaver-level courses including Heartsaver CPR, Heartsaver AED, Heartsaver CPR in Schools, and CPR for Family and Friends.	Persons who have completed the BLS for Healthcare Providers course and who wish to teach the Basic Life Support courses.	<i>Instructor’s Manual: Basic Life Support</i> And Required videos or DVDs	BLS Instructor card
ACLS Instructor	The ACLS Instructor course develops a student’s proficiency in teaching an ACLS provider course. The instructor’s proficiency includes the ability to setup an ACLS provider course and to teach and evaluate an ACLS Provider course student’s knowledge and skill proficiency in 10 core cases: respiratory arrest, witnessed VF treated with an AED, VF/pulse VT, asystole, PEA, acute coronary syndromes, unstable tachycardia, stable tachycardia, and acute stroke.	Licensed healthcare providers who wish to teach personnel staffing emergency, intensive care or critical care departments, emergency medical providers such as physicians, nurses, emergency technicians, paramedics, respiratory therapists, and other professionals who may respond to a cardiovascular emergency.	<i>Instructor’s Manual: Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support</i> , and required video/DVD OR <i>Instructor’s Tool Kit: Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support</i>	ACLS Instructor card
ACLS-EP Instructor	This Instructor course teaches the knowledge and skills to instruct and evaluate seasoned providers in the ACLS for Experienced Providers Course. The ACLS-EP Instructor uses a case-based interactive group format to teach resuscitation topics. To become an instructor for the ACLS-EP course, a candidate must be a current, active, ACLS Instructor with excellent student evaluations on file with his/her TC.	Licensed healthcare providers who wish to teach healthcare professionals, clinicians and scientists who must frequently respond to emergency cardiovascular and special resuscitation situations in the work environment.	<i>Instructor’s Manual: ACLS for Experienced Providers</i>	ACLS-EP Instructor card
PALS Instructor	The PALS Instructor course develops a student’s proficiency in teaching a PALS provider course. The PALS instructor’s proficiency includes the ability to teach and evaluate a student’s cognitive and psychomotor skills needed to resuscitate and stabilize infants and children in respiratory failure, shock or cardiopulmonary arrest.	Licensed healthcare professional who wish to teach pediatricians, house staff, emergency physicians, family physicians, nurses, paramedics, respiratory therapists, and other healthcare providers who are responsible for the well-being of infants and children.	<i>Instructor’s Manual: Pediatric Advanced Life Support</i> and PALS videos or DVD OR PALS Tool Kit Binders 1 & 2	PALS Instructor card
Heartsaver Instructor	This course teaches the knowledge and skills to instruct and evaluate students in Heartsaver courses.	Persons who have completed either the BLS for Healthcare Providers course or Heartsaver-level courses, including a pediatric module, and wish to teach Heartsaver-level courses.	<i>Heartsaver Instructor Manual Collection</i> , and required videos or DVDs	Heartsaver Instructor card
Heartsaver First Aid Instructor	This course teaches the knowledge and skills to instruct and evaluate students in Heartsaver First Aid and Heartsaver First Aid with CPR and AED. Heartsaver First Aid Instructor candidates must complete the Heartsaver Instructor course or the BLS Instructor course.	Heartsaver Instructors and BLS Instructors who wish to teach Heartsaver First Aid and Heartsaver First Aid with CPR and AED courses.	<i>Instructor’s Manual: Heartsaver First Aid</i> (if Heartsaver Instructor course has been completed previously) OR <i>Heartsaver Instructor Manual Collection</i> (if taking the course with Heartsaver Instructor), and required video or DVD	Heartsaver First Aid Instructor card