

New Resuscitation Certification Provider for MUHC: American Red Cross

S	<p>Situation</p> <p>MU Health Care is transitioning from American Heart Association (AHA) to American Red Cross (ARC) for all resuscitation certifications and needs including basic life support-BLS, Advanced life support-ALS- (formerly known as ACLS), and Pediatric advanced life support-PALS. The targeted go live date for all online offerings is January 1st, 2021 and for live classes is February 1st, 2021. ALL ONLINE AHA MODULES HAVE TO BE COMPLETED & COMPLETIONS PRINTED BY DEC. 31ST OR PROGRESS WILL BE LOST. NO AHA MODULE WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER DEC 31ST</p>
B	<p>Background</p> <p>Offering the best possible training and education to our staff is a MUHC priority. The resuscitation competency and skills of our staff are important factors in achieving optimal outcomes for our patients. After months of due diligence, careful consideration, and evaluation of all aspects of available resuscitation providers, it became clear that the advantages of transitioning to ARC outweighed all other alternatives. Therefore, as of January 1st, 2021, we will partner with American Red Cross for all our resuscitation modules & certifications.</p>
A	<p>Assessment</p> <p>Key Points for Communication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARC and AHA use the same evidenced base practice and science derived from The International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR). • ARC algorithms and treatment guidelines will not change. The interventions and treatments for emergent conditions such as cardiac arrest, tachycardia, bradycardia or opioid overdose will remain the same as we currently use now. • Staff and/or Instructors current renewal date for BLS, ACLS/ALS or PALS will remain the same. There is no need to recertify until their AHA expiration date. • ARC online modules contain adaptive learning resulting in considerably less time for experienced users. This means the system will perform a pre-assessment and all areas that are deemed competent do not require “re-teaching.” • Users will find computerized manikins that come with the ARC resuscitation suite easier to use, more interactive and more engaging. • To ensure a seamless transition for our staff and leadership, job aids and class choosing guides are being created for users, as well as instructors. • Bridging process for current instructors is simple and convenient. Since the science, algorithms and interventions remain the same, only one module per discipline is required. • Online offerings will transition to ARC in January and live offerings will transition in February. • Instructors are still required to complete this year’s AHA guideline update modules for their discipline by December 31st, 2020 to remain an instructor for MU Health Care.
R	<p>Recommendation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please communicate to all staff in your department that require BLS, ACLS (now ALS), and PALS to ensure understanding of the above key communication points before 1/1/21. • Once available, please review resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CED is currently building a new portion on our webpage to aid users in the transition to ARC. ○ It will contain information such as how to choose and enroll in the correct ARC class, FAQ’s, job aids, how to flow charts and class calendars ○ Resources for our instructors will also be available on the CED webpage ○ You can get there by going to mymuhealth.org page and selecting >training>CED>CPR resource center or the direct link is https://ced.muhealth.org/cpr