

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

ACLS Provider Course

An ACLS will be held on October 1 (6p-10p), 2 (6p-10p), and 4 (8:30a-5p), 2014 at the Public Safety Training Center. Fees for the course are: Virginia EMS providers* (Paramedic and Intermediate) (\$75) and Non-EMS provider, MD, PA, RN, etc. (\$155.00). Registration and course fee must be received by **September 22, 2014**.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The American Heart Association's Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support course is totally redesigned for healthcare providers who either direct or participate in the resuscitation of a patient, whether in or out of hospital. Through the ACLS course, providers will enhance their skills in the treatment of the adult victim of a cardiac arrest or other cardio-pulmonary emergencies. ACLS emphasizes the importance of basic life support CPR to patient survival; the integration of effective basic life support with advanced cardiovascular life support interventions; and the importance of effective team interaction and communication during resuscitation. ACLS is based on simulated clinical scenarios that encourage active, hands-on participation through learning stations where students will practice essential skills individually, as part of a team, and as team leader. Realistic simulations reinforce the following key concepts: proficiency in basic life support care; recognizing and initiating early management of peri-arrest conditions; managing cardiac arrest; identifying and treating ischemic chest pain and acute coronary syndromes; recognizing other life-threatening clinical situations (such as stroke) and providing initial care; ACLS algorithms; and effective resuscitation team dynamics.

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