

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

ACLS– Update Course

An ACLS– Update course has been scheduled for February 9, 2014 from 8:30a-5p at the Franklin Center, 50 Claiborne Ave, Rocky Mount, VA 24151. Fees for the course are: Virginia EMS providers (Paramedic, Intermediate, Enhanced) (\$45) and Non-EMS provider, MD, PA, RN, etc. (\$95.00). Fee does not include the course manual which is required. ***Students must have a current ACLS and BLS Provider Card to attend an Update course.*** Seating is limited. Pre-Registration and course fee must be received by **January 24, 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 cardiopulmonary 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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