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2020 Heartcode PALS Precourse Letter

NOTE: Students MUST PRESENT their HeartCode PALS Part 1 Certificate prior to the class. If certificate is not presented prior to, or at start of class, student will not be allowed to stay in class and no refund will be given.

Welcome to the 2020 Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Heartcode!

When and Where the Class Will Be Given

Date: January 26; February 23; March 29; April 26; June 28;
July 26; August 23; September 27; October 25

Time: Sunday @ 9am – 1:30pm

Location: GMHA Education Classroom 4th floor

Please plan to be on time because it will be difficult for late students to catch up once we start. Students are expected to attend and participate in the entire course.

How it works:

Students complete three parts:

Part 1

Register & Complete online portion at <https://elearning.heart.org>. This portion is paid online (\$132.00) with a credit card. Please allow 6-10 hours to complete the HeartCode portion.

It includes:

1. Full text (in PDF format) of the PALS Provider Manual,
2. 2015 AHA Guidelines for CPR and Emergency Cardiovascular Care
3. PALS Core Drugs reference guide
4. Pre-course self-assessment to gauge knowledge of ECG recognition and pharmacology
5. Interactive content using eSimulation technology
6. 12 interactive pediatric cases in hospital-based scenarios
7. Team dynamics lesson
8. Access to all information in the course for 24 months after activation of course key.
9. Up to 10.25 hours CME/CE/CEH credit available upon successful completion. Print out your certificate.

* **Macintosh users: this program will not run on Safari, you must use Firefox.**

Part 2 (MUST BE COMPLETED WITHIN 60 DAYS OF COMPLETING PART 1)

Bring your completion certificate and register at the GMHA Education Department. Complete skills practice with a certified AHA PALS Instructor.

What This Course Includes:

- Recognition and treatment of infants and children at risk for cardiopulmonary arrest
- The systematic approach to pediatric assessment
- Effective respiratory management
- Validate skills for 1 and 2 person CPR and AED skills for infant and child
- Defibrillation and synchronized cardioversion
- Intraosseous access and fluid bolus administration

Part 3

Complete a skills test with an AHA PALS Instructor. The **Skills Practice and Testing** session is **sold separately**, dates are as listed above.

Upon successful completion of the 3 stations you will be issued an American Heart Association PALS Provider eCard.

What to Bring and What to Wear:

You may refer to the Handbook of Emergency Cardiovascular Care for Healthcare Providers or the pocket algorithm (may be purchased online from laerdal.com, eworldpoint.com) during the stations.

Please wear loose, comfortable clothing to class. The classroom may be cold so please bring a sweater or jacket. If you have any physical condition that might prevent you from performing CPR, please tell an instructor.

If you need to reschedule, this must be done 10 days prior to the course. Course fees will not be refunded for cancellations made less than 10 days prior to the course.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any questions about the course, please call our Education Office at 647-2350.

Sincerely,

Cassandra Castro
AHA/GMHA ITC Coordinator