Policy 2020-B EMS Certification Acceptable CPR Documentation

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Background

The National Education Standard allows many organizations to provide programs that meet the national cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) requirements. One of the options is to complete an American Heart Association (AHA) CPR course or for a person to take a CPR course based on current AHA standards.

Rule Reference

25TAC, §157.49(d)(1)(B) and (f) (1) (A)

Policy

Acceptable cardiopulmonary resuscitation education must be in accordance with current EMT/AEMT/Paramedic National Education Standard and current AHA guidelines for BCLS and ACLS.

The following basic CPR courses for professionals will be routinely accepted. Others courses must provide proof of equivalency as addressed in the national education standard.

- American Heart Association (AHA) – CPR for Healthcare Providers
- American Red Cross (ARC) – CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer
- ARC--Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers
- American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI) – CPR for Professionals
- National Safety Council (NSC) – Professional Rescuer CPR
- EMS Safety Services, CPR and AED for Professional Rescuers
- Emergency Care & Safety Institute – Health Care Provider CPR
- Safety Institute USA Health and Safety, -- CPR/AED for Professionals, First Responders and Health Care Providers
- UT Health San Antonio – CPR/AED for San Antonio Fire Department

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