

PROVIDER COURSE

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WELCOME TO THE PEDIATRIC ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (PALS) COURSE

PLEASE PLAN TO BE ON TIME. STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THE ENTIRE COURSE. LATE STUDENTS MAY BE REQUIRED TO RESCHEDULE.

HOW TO GET READY

THE PALS COURSE IS DESIGNED TO TEACH YOU THE LIFESAVING SKILLS REQUIRED TO BE BOTH A TEAM MEMBER AND A TEAM LEADER IN EITHER AN IN-HOSPITAL OR OUT-OF-HOSPITAL SETTING. YOU WILL NEED TO PREPARE FOR THE COURSE BEFOREHAND.

PRECOURSE REQUIREMENTS

PREPARE FOR THE COURSE BY DOING THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. REVIEW AND UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION IN YOUR 2020 PALS PROVIDER MANUAL.
- 2. REVIEW AND UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION IN THE BLS FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS MANUAL. YOU WILL BE TESTED ON CHILD AND INFANT 1 & 2 RESCUER CPR AND AED SKILLS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PALS PROVIDER COURSE. YOU WILL NOT BE TAUGHT HOW TO DO CPR OR HOW TO USE AN AED. YOU MUST KNOW THIS IN ADVANCE.
- 3. PLEASE BRING A COPY OF YOUR CURRENT BLS CARD WITH YOU TO CLASS.
- 4. REVIEW, UNDERSTAND, AND COMPLETE THE "PALS PRECOURSE SELF-ASSESSMENT AND PRECOURSE WORK" MODULES ON THE STUDENT WEBSITE (WWW.ELEARNING.HEART.ORG/ECCSTUDENT). YOU WILL NOT BE TAUGHT HOW TO READ OR INTERPRET ECGS IN THE COURSE, NOR WILL YOU BE TAUGHT THE DETAILS ABOUT PALS PHARMACOLOGY.
- 5. PRINT YOUR SCORES FOR THE PRECOURSE ASSESSMENT TESTS AND BRING THEM WITH YOU TO CLASS. YOU MUST COME TO CLASS WITH A MINIMUM SCORE OF **70%** ON THIS TEST TO GAIN ADMISSION TO THE COURSE. THIS IS A REQUIREMENT TO ATTEND.

WHAT THIS COURSE DOES NOT COVER

THE PALS PROVIDER COURSE DOES NOT TEACH ALGORITHMS, ECG, OR PHARMACOLOGY INFORMATION. IF YOU DO NOT LEARN AND UNDERSTAND THIS MATERIAL, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT YOU CAN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE PALS PROVIDER COURSE.

MEGA CODE TESTING

THIS CLASS IS TAUGHT USING A TEAM CONCEPT; HOWEVER, THE ACTUAL MEGA CODE TEST IS AN INDIVIDUAL EFFORT. YOUR TEAM WILL BE PRESENT FOR YOU TO DIRECT, BUT NO HELP IS ALLOWED FROM YOUR TEAM MEMBERS DURING THE ACTUAL TEST SCENARIO.

WHAT TO BRING AND WHAT TO WEAR

BRING YOUR PALS PROVIDER MANUAL TO CLASS. THE EXAM IS OPEN BOOK. YOU CAN BORROW A PALS STUDENT MANUAL FROM YOUR COURSE INSTRUCTOR. PLEASE NOTIFY OF THIS NEED WELL IN ADVANCE.

PLEASE DRESS COMFORTABLY. YOU WILL BE PRACTICING SKILLS THAT REQUIRE BENDING, STANDING, AND LIFTING. IF YOU HAVE A PHYSICAL CONDITION THAT MIGHT PREVENT YOU FROM ENGAGING IN THESE ACTIVITIES, PLEASE TELL AN INSTRUCTOR.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COURSE, PLEASE CONTACT:
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