

CPR

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BSN and Sonography Students

CPR for the Healthcare Provider

Students are required to have completed a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Basic Life Support (BLS) for the Healthcare Provider course prior to patient care clinical experiences. Students are responsible for maintaining their CPR certification throughout the program. Acceptable courses are: American Heart Association (AHA) Basic Life Support for the Healthcare Provider or American Red Cross (ARC) Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers. Students are required to provide proof of course completion prior to patient care with any clinical experience. Students will not be allowed to continue clinical experiences until a current CPR/BLS card is obtained.

Procedure

1. Students are to provide proof of course completion at least one month prior to beginning any clinical experience. A copy of the student's card will be maintained.
2. Faculty will note card expiration date when students begin a course. If the BLS/CPR card will expire during the course, faculty will reinforce the requirement to complete a BLS/CPR for the Health Care Provider Renewal course before card expiration and the consequences if the card expires.
3. Upon attainment of a new BLS/CPR card, the student will provide proof of being current to designated College personnel. A copy of the card will be maintained.
4. A student will not be allowed to continue clinical experiences until a current BLS/CPR card is obtained. The student will receive a grade of "unsatisfactory on the evaluation form for not meeting program policies and requirements for each week in which the student does not have verification. Days missed by the student because of a lapse in current status will not be rescheduled or allowed to be made up. This may result in failure of the course.
5. Students can only take initial or renewal BLS for the Health Care Professional/Provider courses from the American Heart Association, Military Training Network (MTN) Resuscitation Programs or the American Red Cross. BLS for the Health Care Professional/Provider courses from other organizations will not be accepted. BLS courses that are not for the Health Care Professional/Provider will not be accepted. Examples of institutions which offer approved course are as follows: Bryan Medical Center, Mary Lanning Health, Southeast Community College, American Red Cross, and American Heart Association.