

## Program Standards

<b>ASHI PALS™</b>	
<b>Intended Audience</b>	Emergency personnel in intensive care or critical care departments and emergency medical providers.
<b>Instructor Prerequisites</b>	A current and properly authorized ASHI Instructor in good standing with a reasonable amount of PALS patient care experience.
<b>Participant Prerequisites</b>	Training and/or education in basic cardiac rhythm analysis (ECG interpretation) and cardiovascular pharmacology. Professional level Basic Life Support (BLS/CPR/AED) required or included in PALS course.
<b>Required Training Materials</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>PALS Study Guide</i>, Third Ed. Aehlert. Elsevier © 2012 (one per participant)</li> <li>• <i>ASHI PALS™ Digital Resource Kit</i> (one per Training Center)</li> <li>• <i>ASHI PALS™ Instructor Resource Guide</i> (one per Instructor)</li> <li>• ASHI PALS™ presentation media (PowerPoint®) © 2012 Mosby, Inc.</li> </ul>
<b>Course Length</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Varies by class type (initial, refresher) and method.</li> <li>• Initial class about 13 hours; refresher course about 6 hours.</li> <li>• Successful completion is based on achievement of the core learning objectives rather than a prescribed instruction time.</li> </ul>
<b>Student To Instructor Ratio (Skill Session Maximum)</b>	10:1 (6:1 recommended)
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<b>Certification Requirements</b>	<p><b>Written Exam: Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 71% or better</li> </ul> <p><b>Performance Evaluation: Required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working as a group leader in a team setting, competently direct the initial emergency care for a pediatric patient in two randomly selected cases/scenarios:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Upper Airway Obstruction</li> <li>2. Lower Airway Obstruction</li> <li>3. Tachycardia with Adequate Perfusion</li> <li>4. Tachycardia with Inadequate Perfusion</li> <li>5. Symptomatic Bradycardia</li> <li>6. Absent/Pulseless Rhythms</li> <li>7. Hypovolemic Shock</li> <li>8. Trauma</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>Certification Period</b>	May not exceed 24 months from class completion date. More frequent reinforcement of skills is recommended.
<b>Notes:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Occupational licensing boards, regulatory agencies, and other approvers may require specific hours of instruction or other practices.</li> </ul>
<b>Continuing Education</b>	<b>Emergency Medical Services CEH:</b> 12 (initial), 5.25 (refresher) Advanced through Health and Safety Institute, the parent company of ASHI, an organization accredited by the Continuing Education Coordinating Board for Emergency Medical Services.