



ASHI ACLS Program

American Safety & Health Institute's *Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)* program was created to train emergency personnel to recognize cardiopulmonary emergencies (including cardiac arrest and peri-arrest conditions) and other medical conditions that require rapid initial emergency care. Program covers the initial actions of an emergency response team, evaluating airway management, dysrhythmia recognition, electrical interventions, and pharmacologic interventions.

Intended audience

- Emergency personnel in intensive care or critical care departments and emergency medical providers.

Participant pre-requisites

- 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 ACLS course.

ASHI-approved training materials

Instructor materials

- ASHI ACLS™ Digital Resource Kit (one per Training Center)
- ASHI ACLS™ Instructor Resource Guide (one per Instructor)
- ASHI ACLS™ presentation media (PowerPoint®) ©2012 Mosby, or ACLS Blended Learning Solution (ASHI/Elsevier/MC Strategies)

Student materials

- ACLS Study Guide, Fourth Ed. Aehlert. ©2012 Elsevier (one per participant)
- Print, enhanced, and digital card options available.

Blended learning options

- Students complete their course content online, followed by an in-class skills evaluation session with an authorized ASHI Instructor.

Recognized certification period

- May not exceed 24 months from class completion date

Course topics

- ABCDs of Emergency Cardiac Care
- Rhythm Recognition and Management
- Electrical Therapy
- Airway Management
- Electrical Therapy
- Teaching Case Studies
- Evaluation Case Studies

Successful completion (certification)

- Complete all course requirements as provided by an authorized ASHI Instructor
- **Written Exam** — Required. Passing score of 85% or better
- **Performance Evaluation** — Demonstrated ability to direct the initial emergency care (including mechanical, pharmacological, and electrical therapy where applicable) for each of the following situations:
 - Respiratory arrest
 - Pulseless ventricular tachycardia (VT)/ventricular fibrillation (VF) with an automated external defibrillator (AED) available
 - Cardiac rhythm management including pulseless VT/VF and two other rhythms

Recommended time to complete

- **Initial training** — About 15 hours
- Successful completion is based on achievement of the core learning objectives rather than a prescribed instruction time.
- Occupational licensing boards, regulatory agencies, and other approvers may require specific hours of instruction or other practices.

Continuing education

- **Emergency Medical Services CEH:** CECBEMS 12 hours Advanced through Health and Safety Institute
- **Nursing Continuing Education:** 12.79 contact hours through Elsevier | Mosby's Office of Nursing CE. Renewal courses in ACLS are not eligible for NCE



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