



COLORADO

Health Facilities & Emergency Medical Services Division

Department of Public Health & Environment

Accepted BLS\CPR and ACLS Education Organizations Colorado EMS Provider Certification and Recertification

ALL EMS provider certification candidates seeking initial or renewal certification must submit evidence of completion of a current and valid professional healthcare provider-level **Basic Cardiac Life Support (BLS CPR)** from a national or local organization that has been reviewed and approved by the department.

EMT-Intermediate and Paramedic candidates seeking initial state certification or renewal of an existing state certification must also submit evidence of completion of a current and valid **Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)** course from a national or local organization that has been reviewed and approved by the department.

Approved BLS\CPR Courses

The following list of BLS CPR organizations and courses are currently recognized by the department. It is the responsibility of the individual provider to submit satisfactory evidence that organizations and courses not on this list should be recognized.

Basic Life Support (BLS) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Courses	
Organization	Courses Approved by the Department
American Heart Association (AHA)	▪ BLS for Healthcare Providers ▪ BLS for Healthcare Providers Renewal, including Resuscitation Quality Improvement (RQI) ▪ BLS Instructor ▪ BLS Provider ▪ BLS Training Center Faculty
American Lifeguard and Safety Training	▪ Lifeguard, First Aid, CPR/AED ▪ CPR/AED

American Red Cross (ARC)	▪ Basic Life Support ▪ CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuers and Healthcare Providers ▪ BLS for Healthcare Providers-Instructor ▪ CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and Healthcare Providers-Instructor ▪ Resuscitation Suite - BLS ▪ Lifeguarding & Lifeguarding Review ▪ Lifeguarding with Bundle & Lifeguarding with Bundle Review
Health and Safety Institute (HSI) Formally the American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI)	▪ Basic Life Support (BLS) ▪ BLS Instructor
American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons (AAOS)	▪ Professional Rescuer CPR ▪ Professional Rescuer CPR Instructor ▪ ECSI Healthcare Provider CPR ▪ ECSI Healthcare Provider CPR Instructor
American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP)	▪ Professional Rescuer CPR ▪ Professional Rescuer CPR Instructor
Canadian Red Cross	▪ CPR Level HCP and AED Provider ▪ CPR Level HCP and AED Instructor
Department of Defense Fire & EMS Certification (DoD)	▪ Healthcare Provider CPR ▪ Healthcare Provider CPR Instructor
Emergency Care and Safety Institute (The department does not accept online only courses. You must have an on-site instructor providing a hands-on skills evaluation.)	▪ Healthcare Provider CPR & AED ▪ Healthcare Provider CPR & AED Instructor
Emergency University (The department does not accept online only courses. You must have an on-site instructor providing a hands-on skills evaluation.)	▪ BLS Healthcare Provider CPR – Back of card must have a BLS-skills completion date, instructor name and instructor signature
EMS Safety Services	▪ CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers ▪ Emergency Response Instructor for Professional Rescuer CPR/AED

National Safety Council	▪ BLS Healthcare and Professional Rescuer ▪ Instructor - PR designation
Military Training Network (MTN)	▪ Health Provider ▪ Healthcare Provider Instructor ▪ BLS Instructor ▪ BLS Training Site Faculty
Pro Trainings (ProCPR.org)	▪ ProCPR ▪ ProFirstAid Advanced – Back of provider cards must include an instructor name and instructor ID number ▪ ProCPR Instructor ▪ ProFirstAid Advanced Instructor

Approved ACLS Courses

The following list of ACLS organizations and courses are currently recognized by the department. It is the responsibility of the individual provider to submit satisfactory evidence that organizations and courses not on this list should be recognized.

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Courses	
Organization	Courses Approved by the Department
American Heart Association (AHA)	▪ ACLS Provider ▪ ACLS Instructor ▪ ACLS for the Experienced Provider ▪ ACLS for the Experienced Provider Instructor ▪ ACLS Training Site Faculty ▪ ACLS Regional Faculty ▪ ACLS Renewal, including Resuscitation Quality Improvement (RQI)
American Red Cross (ARC)	▪ ALS Provider ▪ ALS Instructor ▪ Resuscitation Suite - ALS
Health and Safety Institute (HSI) Formally the American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI)	▪ ACLS for Healthcare Professionals ▪ ACLS Instructor
American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP)	▪ eACLS Provider (Renewal cards only) ▪ eACLS Instructor (Renewal cards only)
Military Training Network (MTN)	▪ ACLS Provider ▪ ACLS Instructor ▪ ACLS Training Site Faculty