

## Professional Level Resuscitation

### I. Resuscitation Training Programs

- a. ASHI Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers
- b. ASHI Advanced Cardiac Life Support
- c. ASHI Pediatric Advanced Life Support

### II. About the American Safety & Health Institute

- a. The American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI) resuscitation training programs are developed and administered by [Health & Safety Institute \(HSI\)](#).<sup>1</sup>
- b. HSI is a major training organization<sup>2</sup> offering high quality training materials, courses and programs for healthcare professionals, first responders, employees and the community. Since 1978, ASHI and MEDIC First Aid authorized instructors have certified nearly 30 million emergency care providers in the US and more than 100 countries throughout the world. HSI's mission is *Making the Workplace and Community Safer™*.
- c. ASHI training programs are equivalent to the training programs developed and administered by the American Heart Association® (AHA) and the American National Red Cross (ARC).
- d. An HSI representative was a volunteer member of the 2015 International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR) First Aid Task Force and a collaborator on the 2015 International Consensus on First Aid Science with Treatment Recommendations.<sup>3</sup>

### III. ASHI Resuscitation Programs Are Current, Evidence-Based and Conform to the:

- a. 2015 AHA Guidelines Update for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care.
- b. 2010 AHA Guidelines for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care Science.

### IV. Acceptance and Accreditation

- a. ASHI resuscitation programs meet the standards of The Joint Commission, are accepted as equivalent to the AHA by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems, the American Academy of Sleep Medicine and the United States Coast Guard Health Services Program, among others. ASHI resuscitation programs are approved by the Alaska State Medical Board, Texas Medical Board, Florida Board of Medicine and the Medical Board of California, among others (letters on file).
- b. ASHI training programs are currently accepted, approved or recognized as an industry credential meeting the requirements of more than 2,400 state regulatory agencies, occupational licensing boards, national associations, commissions and councils in more than 550 occupations and professions.

- c. HSI is a nationally accredited organization of the Commission on Accreditation of Pre-Hospital Continuing Education (CAPCE). CAPCE is the national accrediting body for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) continuing education courses and course providers. CAPCE accreditation requires an evidence-based, peer-review process for continuing education programs comparable to all healthcare accreditors.<sup>4</sup>
- d. HSI is a member of the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation (CLEAR), the premiere international resource for professional regulation stakeholders.
- e. HSI is a member of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and ASTM International (ASTM) – both globally recognized leaders in the development and delivery of international voluntary consensus standards.

#### **V. ASHI Resuscitation Programs are Taught by Qualified Instructors Affiliated with an Approved Training Center and are Authorized to Certify Course Participants**

- a. ASHI resuscitation courses contain psychomotor skills that require an in-person, hands-on skill evaluation by a current and properly authorized ASHI instructor to verify skill competency prior to issuance of a certification card.
- b. Online training alone does not meet the first aid and CPR requirements of the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards.<sup>5</sup> Online training must be supplemented with hands-on practice. Substantial hands-on practice is needed to meet psychomotor skill performance objectives.<sup>6</sup>
- c. HSI publishes and administers a set of Quality Assurance Standards designed to monitor and improve the performance of HSI, its approved ASHI Training Centers and authorized instructors so that the products and services provided consistently meet or exceed the requirements of HSI, regulatory authorities and class participants.

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<sup>1</sup> ASHI ACLS is developed in partnership with Elsevier Publishing. ASHI PALS is developed in partnership with Jones & Bartlett Learning.

<sup>2</sup> Anderson ML, et al. Rates of cardiopulmonary resuscitation training in the United States. *JAMA Intern Med*. 2014 Feb 1;174(2):194-201

<sup>3</sup> Singletary EM, et al; on behalf of the First Aid Chapter Collaborators. Part 9: first aid: 2015 International Consensus on First Aid Science with Treatment Recommendations. *Circulation*. 2015;132(suppl 1):S269–S311.

<sup>4</sup> CAPCE represents only that its accredited programs have met CAPCE's standards for accreditation. These standards require sound educational offerings determined by a review of its objectives, teaching plan, faculty and program evaluation processes. CAPCE does not endorse or support the actual teachings, opinions or material content as presented by the speaker(s) and/or sponsoring organization.

<sup>5</sup> Thomas Galassi, "Clarification of OSHA Training Requirements for Basic First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)," Occupational Health and Safety Administration, August 2, 2013, Available: [https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show\\_document?p\\_table=INTERPRETATIONS&p\\_id=28541](https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=INTERPRETATIONS&p_id=28541) (accessed 1/16/17)

<sup>6</sup> Bhanji F, Donoghue AJ, Wolff MS, Flores GE, Halamek LP, BermanJM, Sinz EH, Cheng A. Part 14: education: 2015 American Heart Association Guidelines Update for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care. *Circulation*. 2015;132(suppl 2):S561–S573

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