



Package G – Heart and Stroke Foundation- Basic Life Support Provider (HSF-BLS)

Health Sciences Programs
Health & Safety Requirements 2022-2023

Email Certification/Recertification to: Placement.HealthSciences@rdpolytech.ca

Your HSF-BLS certification is **due before the start of your program** and must be **submitted every year** of your program upon recertification and **before** your current certification expires.

Heart and Stroke Foundation Basic Life Support certification is **REQUIRED** for the following programs:

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN)
- Occupational and Physical Therapist Assistant (OPTA)
- Practical Nursing (PN)

Heart and Stroke Foundation Basic Life Support certification is **RECOMMENDED** for the following program:

- Health Care Aide (HCA)

Heart and Stroke Foundation Basic Life Support certification is **NOT REQUIRED** for the following programs:

- Medical Laboratory Assistant
- Pharmacy Technician
- Unit Clerk

What is required? One of:

Heart and Stroke Foundation Basic Life Support Provider course (HSF-BLS): This course is designed for healthcare providers who have a duty to respond to medical emergencies. A HSF BLS certificate is **valid for one year** from the date of the course.

OR

Heart and Stroke Foundation Basic Life Support Renewal course (HSF-BLS Renewal): renewal course taken prior to the one year expiry of the certificate.

Where can you get training?

- Heart and Stroke Foundation <https://resuscitation.heartandstroke.ca>
- [Red Deer Polytechnic Division of Extended Education](#)
- Google search Heart & Stroke Foundation BLS to identify the approved courses offered in your area

NOTE: Any BLS course other than Heart & Stroke Foundation is **NOT ACCEPTED**.

(St. John Ambulance and Red Cross certification is **not accepted**)

Where do you show your proof of completion of HSF-BLS certification?

- **Email to:** Placement.HealthSciences@rdpolytech.ca
- **Mail** a photocopy of your card to: Red Deer Polytechnic - Placement Office
Room 1506 - 100 College Blvd.
Box 5005,
Red Deer, Alberta T4N 5H5 CANADA
- **Place a photocopy** of your card in the locked box outside Room 1506

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