



RESUSCITATION COUNCIL OF SOUTHERN AFRICA



RCSA Policy Statement # 32

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION TO RCSA ACLS-EXPERIENCED PROVIDER FACULTY STATUS (ACLS-EP INSTRUCTOR TRAINER)

1. Current AHA BLS Instructor status.
2. Active AHA ACLS Instructor status (having taught on a minimum of 8 ACLS Provider Courses).
3. Active AHA ACLS-EP Instructor status (having taught on a minimum of 8 ACLS Experienced Provider Courses).
4. Evidence of extensive knowledge of international advanced life support guidelines and controversies.
5. Letter of Motivation from candidate and Letter of Nomination from the relevant ACLS Training Site.
6. ACLS-EP Faculty Nomination to be endorsed by the RCSA ACLS EP Faculty committee and Executive Committee.
7. Observe and participate satisfactorily as a Potential ACLS-EP Faculty Member on at least one ACLS-EP Instructor Course.
8. Co-present and be monitored and mentored by an ACLS-EP Faculty Member on an ACLS-EP Instructor Course.
9. Sign acknowledgement of ACLS EP Faculty responsibilities.

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ACLS EP Faculty Responsibilities

All Faculty members are responsible for quality assurance and the educational component of the American Heart Association’s Emergency Cardiovascular Care Programs. ACLS EP Faculty consists of ACLS EP Instructors who, because of their exemplary service, have been appointed to ACLS EP Faculty by the American Heart Association and the Resuscitation Council of Southern Africa.

ACLS EP Faculty responsibilities include:

- Serving as an expert resource on ACLS issues and protocols to ACLS Training Sites, ACLS Instructors, and ACLS Training Site staff.
- Guiding and assisting ACLS EP Training Centres in the development of ACLS EP Programs.
- Being able to serve in an unbiased, objective capacity.
- Recognizing and avoiding conflicts of interest, whether real or perceived.
- Conducting on-site visits to ACLS EP Training Sites and assessing adherence to AHA guidelines.
- Supporting community Chain of Survival initiatives.
- Mentoring new ACLS EP Faculty members and ACLS EP Instructors.
- Overseeing quality assurance.
- Monitoring ACLS EP Instructors’ teaching abilities and completion of required documentation.
- Involvement in at least one ACLS EP Instructor Course per year if demand permits.
- Monitoring at least 4 new or existing instructors per year.
- Maintaining current valid ACLS EP Instructor status.
- Attending orientation and updates as required.
- Cultivating and mentoring new and potential candidates for ACLS Faculty.
- Ensures that all required documentation is submitted to the RCSA within a reasonable time and that one’s own TS is auditable with regards to adherence to policy and procedure.

ACLS EP Faculty members are appointed for a two-year period, whereafter reappointment is required. A reappointment application must be submitted, detailing how the ACLS EP Faculty member supported ACLS programs during the appointed term. Reappointment will be determined by fulfilment of the above ACLS EP Faculty responsibilities during the previous term.

All Faculty members are responsible for encouraging and driving the QA and QI, ensuring TS admin reviews are up-to-date and progressive in each of the TSs under their ambit of responsibility. As is the norm in the USA AHA, this function is voluntary and without financial compensation.

Signature of Incumbent ACLS EP Faculty Member:

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Name of Incumbent Faculty Member:

Date: