

Nursing CPR Certification Requirements

CPR certification is required in order to begin core (543-xxx) courses for the following programs:

- **Associate Degree Nursing with Practical Nursing Exit**
- **LPN to ADN Progression Track**

Students are responsible for maintaining certification and providing documentation of certification through completion of their program. Students who allow their CPR certification to expire (lapse) will not be permitted to attend Nursing courses until recertification has been completed and documentation verified which could result in course failure.

It is recommended that students complete CPR certification between semesters either during the summer months or in late December/early January to avoid conflicts in scheduling recertification, as needed. Please note, CPR certification is valid for 2 years.

Students are required to complete **The American Heart Association's Basic Life Support (BLS) Course**. The training is designed for healthcare providers and includes instruction in adult, child, and infant CPR; use of an AED; and effective team member performance. Skills testing must be demonstrated in person before a certified instructor therefore do not take any online course but rather an Instructor-Led Training course. This course is offered at several locations throughout the district including Moraine Park Technical College.

- Moraine Park's BLS for Health Care Provider course number is 531-450 (6 hour course not eligible for credit)

Please note the following important tips:

1. Skills testing must be demonstrated in person before a certified instructor. *Do not take an online CPR course.*
2. Complete your CPR training in either June through August or December through mid-January of any given year.
3. Students are responsible for maintaining certification and providing documentation of certification through completion of their program.