CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR)



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All dentists must be prepared to recognize and treat adverse responses using appropriate emergency equipment and appropriate and current drugs when necessary.

All dentists should have the training and ability to perform basic life support techniques.

As a mandatory requirement for licensure, all dentists are required to remain current with respect to cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR Level - C) and automated external defibrillator (AED) training certification.

As a mandatory requirement for sedation authorization and pursuant to the CDSS Sedation and General Anesthesia Standard section 19(k), all dentists that administer sedation are required to remain current with respect to basic life support (BLS) training certification (CPR Level BLS HCP).

As a mandatory requirement for moderate and deep sedation authorization and pursuant to the CDSS Sedation and General Anesthesia Standard section 19(k), all dentists that administer moderate and deep sedation are required to remain current with respect to advanced cardiovascular life support (ACLS) and pediatric advanced life support (PALS) training certification as applicable.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Levels:

Level A: One-rescuer CPR and choking manoeuvres for an adult casualty

Level B: One-rescuer CPR and choking manoeuvres for an adult, child and infant casualties

Level C: One and two-rescuer CPR and choking manoeuvres for an adult, child and infant casualties

BLS/HCP: One and two-rescuer CPR and choking manoeuvres for an adult, child and infant casualties. AR, BVM,

AED included

Level E: Customized courses that provide training for special needs group

AED: Understanding the knowledge and skill to safely use an AED (Automated External Defibrillator)

Annual retraining in CPR is recommended

CPR C = Recertify after 3 years CPR BLS HCP = Recertify after 1 year