



Joint Task Force National Capital Region Medical **DIRECTIVE**

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SUBJECT: Resuscitative and Trauma Medicine Education and Training

- References:
- (a) JTF CAPMED-D 5107.01, "Education, Training, and Research Decision Making Committee Charter," March 24, 2010
 - (b) American College of Surgeons' (ACS) Advanced Trauma Manual
 - (c) Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Instruction 1500.15C, "Resuscitation Training," October 31, 2008
 - (d) Military Training Network (MTN) Administrative Handbook
 - (e) American Heart Association Guidelines
 - (f) Emergency Nurses Association Trauma Nursing Core Course Manual

1. PURPOSE. This Directive, in accordance with (IAW) the authority in Reference (a), establishes policy and guidance, and ensures compliance with curriculum and administrative standards for resuscitative and trauma medicine training programs which include but are not limited to: Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support, Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS), the Neonatal Resuscitation Program, Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition, and Stabilization, and Pediatric Advanced Life Support.

2. APPLICABILITY. This Instruction applies to JTF CapMed and all Joint Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs) and Centers in the National Capital Region (i.e., Fort Belvoir Community Hospital, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, and the Joint Pathology Center).

3. DEFINITIONS

a. certification. Confirmation of ability to perform learning objectives established by national organization guidelines. Evidence is established by receiving a passing grade at testing and issuance of written documentation.

b. direct patient care. Any face-to-face verbal and/or hands-on patient interaction in a clinical setting.

c. short-term staff. Those staff working 8 consecutive weeks annually or less.

4. POLICY. It is JTF CapMed policy to outline basic requirements for the provision of resuscitative and trauma medicine education and training in all of the Joint MTFs and Centers.

a. Guidelines. All JTF CapMed MTFs and Centers will adhere to and utilize the guidelines in the current Military Training Network (MTN) Administrative Handbook or other applicable governing references.

b. Requirements for BLS Certification. All professional and health care technician personnel involved in direct patient care must maintain a current American Heart Association (AHA) BLS for the Provider certification. If a staff member reports with an American Red Cross (ARC) cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)/automated external defibrillator (AED) for the Professional Rescuer certification he or she must renew provider certification under AHA guidelines when the ARC certification expires.

c. AHA Heartsaver AED. All personnel who are not involved in direct patient care, but are working in patient care areas must maintain evidence of current training in the AHA Heartsaver AED or an equivalent course.

d. Contract Employee Training. A contract employee is usually not eligible for resuscitative medicine training provided by the Joint MTF or Center unless there is language in their contract that specifically states that the Joint MTF or Center is responsible for providing the contractor employees' training. In these cases, the contractor is required to provide proof of this responsibility when he or she registers for training. Contract employees will normally be referred to the contractor or contracting office for specific requirements and certification training.

e. BLS Training Requirements. JTF CapMed and MTF commanders will determine the BLS training requirements for non-medical personnel who are not involved in direct patient care and who do not work in patient care areas. It is recommended that these non-medical personnel working in the Joint MTF and Center maintain a current AHA Heartsaver AED card.

f. Requirements for Training. The learner has to meet all prerequisites for training according to national guidelines.

g. Requirements for ATLS. ATLS courses are conducted specifically for Medical Doctors, Doctors of Dental Surgery, and Doctors of Medical Dentistry. These are the only healthcare professionals that will receive ATLS certification. All other Healthcare providers are eligible to audit the ATLS course, however, they will not receive certification.

h. Requirements for Maintaining Certification. Readiness requirements for maintaining certification in any resuscitative or trauma medicine skill is determined by the hospital Commander, Deputy Commanders, Service requirements, or higher authority.

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i. Mock Code Program

(1) Increased frequency of training is critical to improving the effectiveness of resuscitation efforts. Each Joint MTF and Center will develop a Mock Code program in collaboration with the CPR Committee that emphasizes teamwork and leadership skills for all healthcare personnel.

(2) To support a Mock Code Program, each Training Site will provide a Mock Code Facilitators Program that teaches those tasked with facilitating mock codes the techniques of performance evaluation and focused debriefing to enhance the student learning.

(3) Each Training Site will develop a tracking method to ensure identified patient care areas required to do so have mock codes conducted IAW the requirements set forth by their Joint MTF's or Center's CPR Committee.

j. Training Site Policies. Each Training Site will develop site-specific policies that outline how the resuscitative and trauma medicine training and education courses at that Joint MTF and Center will be administered. At a minimum, there will be policies that cover the following:

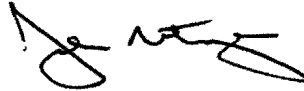
- (1) Course descriptions
- (2) Roles and responsibilities of staff members
- (3) Quality assurance
- (4) Dispute resolution
- (5) Disinfection of training equipment
- (6) Dissemination of information
- (7) Enrollment procedures
- (8) No Show policy
- (9) AHA online training
- (10) "Test-Outs"
- (11) Continuing education credits
- (12) Instructor teaching history database
- (13) Student participation database

5. RESPONSIBILITIES. See Enclosure

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6. RELEASABILITY. UNLIMITED. This Directive is approved for public release and is available on the Internet from the JTF CapMed Web Site at: www.capmed.mil.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Directive is effective immediately.



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Enclosure
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ENCLOSURE

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RESPONSIBILITIES

1. JOINT MTF COMMANDERS AND CENTER DIRECTORS. The Joint MTF Commander and Center Director shall nominate Program Director(s) for the MTN-sponsored training programs conducted at the respective MTF or Center. Nomination will be approved by the MTN Director.

2. MTN PROGRAM DIRECTORS. The MTN Program Directors shall manage their respective training program according to appropriate governing guidelines.

3. SUPERVISORS. Supervisors at all levels shall be responsible for ensuring that all staff, including short-term staff, covered by this Directive hold current certification in resuscitative and trauma medicine training appropriate to the staff member's job roles and responsibilities and guidance laid out in this Directive.

4. CHIEF, STAFF AND FACULTY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. The Chief, Staff and Faculty Development Department shall:
 - a. Ensure all training programs are implemented, managed, and conducted according to appropriate governing guidelines.

 - b. Ensure funds are allocated to maintain training programs.

 - c. Ensure all Program Directors maintain current qualifications and documentation in order to qualify for said role.

 - d. Document course availability and learner completion in DMHRSi Education and Training Module in order to collect and report training compliance statistics to MTF or Center leadership as required.

5. JTF CAPMED RESUSCITATIVE MEDICINE TRAINING AND EDUCATION FACULTY. JTF CapMed resuscitative medicine training and education faculty shall:
 - a. Work collaboratively to identify resuscitative medicine training requirements and develop a coordinated training calendar that can be accessed by all assigned or attached personnel.

 - b. Coordinate to determine priority of training for staff who wish to register for resuscitative and trauma medicine courses.

6. STAFF MEMBERS. All staff members shall:

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- a. Be required to adhere to policy set forth in this Directive and according to one's roles and responsibilities within the Joint MTF or Center.
- b. Be responsible to maintain current certification of their resuscitative and trauma medicine training requirements.