

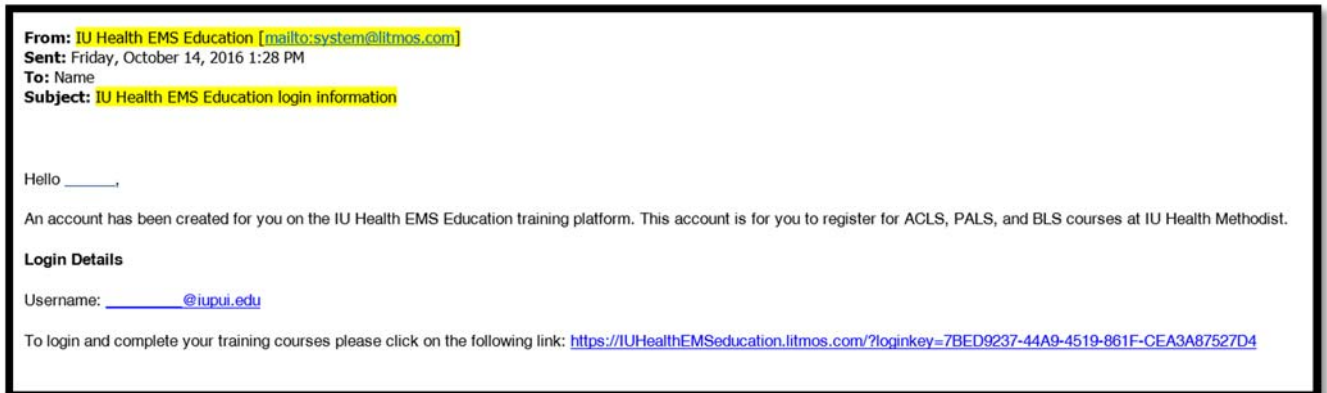


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FAQ: IU Health Residents, Fellow's and Medical Student Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Policy

Q: Is there a schedule available to share with residents/students?

A: No, each resident or student will receive an email, with a username already provided, that is specific to their individual email address, asking them to create a password. They can log on and register for available courses at that time. (See example)



Q: Can training be done online?

A: American Heart Association (AHA) on-line courses require the individual to attend an in-person check-off with an AHA instructor. https://www.onlineaha.org/course_format

Q: Is AHA the only approved training program accepted?

A: Yes. All BLS, ACLS, and PALS certifications must be completed by an AHA approved training center. ATLS and NRP are completed by program instructors credentialed to train for those certifications.

Q: How long are the classes?

A: BLS class is approximately 4 hours | ACLS/PALS **initial** training is 2 days | ACLS/PALS **renewal** is 1 day.

Q: When do certifications need complete?

A: All certifications must be obtained, and maintained, before March 31, 2017.

Q: What happens if certification is not complete?

A: Any provider not credentialed after March 31, 2017 will lose access to IU Health systems until current certification is provided.

Q: Does training have to be completed at IU Health?

A: No, training can be completed at any AHA approved training facility at the expense of the attendee. Residents, Fellows and Medical Students from the IUSM currently training at, or incoming, to IU Health facilities can complete their BLS and applicable ACLS or PALS through IU Health ERTI department





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(Wile Hall Methodist) at no cost for the course (textbooks not included and may be borrowed through library).

Q: Can training be done at another IU Health facility besides Methodist?

A: No. Currently, the ERTI Program at Methodist is the only IU Health clinical education department that will complete the training at no expense to residents, fellows, or medical students. (*does not include materials)*

Q: Can training be done elsewhere?

A: Yes. As long as the training is completed by an AHA approved training center we will accept those certifications.

Q: What are the certification requirements?

A: ALL residents, fellows and medical students must have a current BLS certificate. Residency and Fellowship Programs that have additional advanced certification requirements as mandated by the ACGME or the specific program requirements are required to be maintained while at IU Health.

Q: If I have ACLS/PALS why do I need BLS?

A: BLS has specific basic resuscitation components not taught in the advanced courses. While BLS is a recommendation of the AHA prior to taking ACLS or PALS it is not a requirement; however, IU Health requires all residents, fellows and medical students at minimum obtain, and maintain, a BLS.

Q: Some programs the residents or fellows have no patient exposure or bed side care. Is BLS still a requirement?

A: Yes. ALL residents, fellows and medical students are required at minimum to maintain a BLS certification.

Q: Some programs have residents that are non-physicians. Is BLS still a requirement?

A: Yes. ALL residents, fellows and medical students are required at minimum to maintain a BLS certification.

Q: When will residents, fellows, and medical students receive the link to register?

A: Currently, we are sending registration requests to groups with higher volumes of uncertified trainees according to the data we are provided. As of the 10/31/17 all PGY 1-3s should have received an invitation. MS 3-4s can expect their invitation early to mid-November. From Mid-November to Mid-December PGY 4-9s and MS 1-2s will begin receiving their invitations.

Q: I've completed my course. Who should I provide a copy of my certification?

A: Any training completed by the ERTI program will be sent to Physician Education and your profile will be updated the system. Additionally, please provide a copy to your residency/fellowship coordinator. Medical Students please provide a copy to the Continuing Medical Education (CME) office to ensure it is documented in their systems as well.

Training at an outside facility will need to be communicated to coordinators or UME/CME to forward this information to the Center for Physician Education.

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