

**Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
Paul L. Foster School of Medicine
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION
Standard Policy and/or Procedure**

TITLE: Cardiac Life Support Certification

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PURPOSE: To have a written institutional policy regarding cardiac life support certification for residents.

POLICY STATEMENT: All residents must be Basic Life Support (BLS) trained and documentation of such training must be provided to the training program as well as the Office of Graduate Medical Education at the beginning of employment.

Certain residents, as required by the Medical Staff Bylaws of the participating institutions in graduate medical education or by the ACGME Residency Review Committee for the clinical specialty, must provide documentation of advanced cardiac life support certification (e.g., neonatal, pediatric or adult, as appropriate) to the training program as well as the Office of Graduate Medical Education within six months of initial employment or earlier if required by the service on which a rotation is to occur in order to have hospital privileges.

Certification must remain current for the entire period of training.