

## SECTC TC American Heart Association Training Site Agreement

This Training Site Agreement made this  (day) of  (month),  () is by and between SECTC and

("Training Site Name").

SECTC operates an American Heart Association Training Center (the "Training Center") approved by the American Heart Association ("AHA"). The Training Center shall approve, and support Training Sites developed by individuals, employers, and other community and business organizations ("Training Site"). Approval allows Training Sites to conduct training sessions in accordance with all AHA guidelines, subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement. Acceptance of a Training Site and continued affiliation with the Training Center is at the discretion of the Training Center and the Training Center Coordinator.

The parties to this Agreement agree as follows:

### Obligations of SECTC

- a. Maintain current AHA guidelines and information.
- b. Provide policies and procedures that meet and/or exceed the requirements of AHA for courses and administrative paperwork.
- c. Provide site visits including review of Training Site equipment, teaching materials, and instructors to ensure AHA and Training Center compliance. Training Site hereby acknowledges that the Training Center's review of teaching materials is limited to the determination of whether such materials are in accordance with AHA guidelines. SECTC does not make any representations or warranties regarding the use or effectiveness of the training methods or materials used to conduct or document such training.
- d. Report all necessary training information as requested by the American Heart Association, subpoena or SECTC.
- e. Provide AHA course completion cards, examinations, and instructional updates as required by the AHA in conjunction with AHA PAM and following all Training Center policies.

## Obligations of Training Site:

- a. The Training Site shall assign a "Site Coordinator" to oversee training operations, act as the liaison with the SECTC, and ensure Training Site compliance. The Training Site Coordinator must be a current AHA instructor in the discipline(s) the Training Site is authorized to teach. The Training Site shall maintain strict adherence to all rules and regulations of the AHA and Training Center related to courses offering instruction, delivery, testing, remediation, as well as course documentation, reporting and archiving of documentation.
- b. Training Sites will be designated by the Training Center. Training Sites will not provide training at levels beyond their designation.
- c. The Training Site shall maintain and ensure all aligned instructors have access to the following:
  - i. Current copy of this agreement
  - ii. Current version of the American Heart Association's Program Administration Manual (PAM)
  - iii. Current copy of the American Heart Association Guidelines for CPR and ECC
  - iv. Current Instructor Manual(s) and instructor tool kits, including videos for each discipline the Training Site are authorized to teach.
- d. The Training Site shall maintain the following forms in either a paper or electronic format:
  - I. Course Roster
  - II. All AHA Skills Check Form(s) for each discipline the Training Site is authorized to teach
  - III. Student Exam answer sheets
  - IV. Heartsaver Student Exam answer sheets (if administered)
  - V. Student Course Evaluation Forms.
- e. The Training Site shall maintain current exams for each discipline authorized in a secure manner.
- f. Only current credentialed AHA Instructors and the Training Site Coordinator on file shall have access to AHA exams during non-testing sessions.
- g. The Training Site shall be solely responsible for all equipment and materials associated with sponsored training courses:
  - i. Training sites shall maintain, have access to and have present at courses all equipment necessary for course instruction as outlined in the course lesson maps for the specific course(s) being taught.

All equipment should be clean, safe and maintained to remain in good working order. Simulating the use of equipment during an AHA course without physically having the required training aid or device is strictly prohibited. Example: Simulating the use of an AED without having a physical AED Trainer/simulator present or simulating breathing without actually putting breath into the manikins.

- h. The Training Site and its affiliated instructors shall attend only SECTC approved instructor renewal training, course updates, and instructor reviews at the SECTC office unless specifically agreed to in advance and in writing by the SECTC Training Center Coordinator. Recertification requirements may exceed those outlined in the AHA Program Administration Manual. These can be conducted at the Training Site.

Current Instructors aligned with other AHA Training Centers may assist in the course but may not be the primary course instructor. Training Sites are solely responsible for ensuring that the instructors aligned with other Training Centers are current by physically examining the Instructor's AHA certification card prior to the start of each course. A copy of this Instructor card will be submitted with course documentation. All Instructors, including those aligned with other Training Centers, must be documented on the Course Roster including their contact information. It is the responsibility of the non-SECTC aligned Instructor to:

- I Report this course to their primary Training Center.
  - SECTC reserves the right to disallow an instructor or group of Instructors, not aligned with the Training Center, from participating as Instructors in Training Site or Training Center Courses.

- III All courses must follow the time requirements and agenda found in the Instructor Manual for the specific curriculum.
- IV All Instructors involved in any way with any course must be current AHA Instructors.

#### Training Region:

The Training Site is permitted to provide authorized AHA training within the state of their Training Site. If the Training Site or any of their instructors will be training outside of their state, they may do so with notification to the Training Center (SECTC)

Any training outside of the United States must be pre-authorized by SECTC Training Site Agreement

the AHA via notification to the Training Center.

Training Sites may be required to work with an International Training Center (ITO). Pre-authorization may be a lengthy process. Training Sites are encouraged to give the Training Center a minimum of three (3) months advanced notice.

### Course Administrative Requirements:

Upon course completion the following documentation listed below shall be kept on file for a minimum of three (3) years.

Documentation for each course will include:

- Completed course roster
- Amended agenda indicating any variations and instructor assignments
- Copies of written test answer sheets for each student (required for BLS / ACLS / PALS / PEARS courses and as needed for Heartsaver programs.)
  - All applicable skills check-off sheets for each student
  - Completed course evaluation forms for each student
  - Copy(s) of non-SECTC aligned Instructor cards (if applicable).

### Mandatory Record Keeping: Training Site

- All course records for the Training Site must be kept and available for a minimum of three (3) years. Training Sites may be required to maintain training records by another government or accreditation agency. These requirements are the sole responsibility of the Training Site. If the Training Site terminates its affiliation with SECTC, copies of all Training Site records for the preceding three years shall be delivered to SECTC within thirty (30) days and must be submitted prior to the transfer of Instructors to the accepting Training Center. Records will be maintained in paper or electronic format, in order of date and type of course. Training Sites shall be able to forward any training records requested by the Training Center within five (5) business days of the request.

In addition to the course documentation listed above, the Training Site will maintain:

- All correspondence from AHA National/Regional and SECTC
- Training Site must maintain a current list of AHA Instructors authorized to teach for the Training Site.
- Manikin cleaning/disinfection records consistent with the manufacturer's recommended procedures.

### Training Site Separation:

- a. The term of this Agreement shall be for continuous period; beginning on the date listed above and remain in effect unless otherwise terminated as outlined below.
- b. Either party shall be permitted to terminate this Agreement, at any time, upon thirty (30) day written notice to the other party. SECTC shall be permitted to terminate this Agreement immediately in the event the Training Site fails to perform its obligations as set forth in this Agreement. This Agreement shall automatically terminate upon the termination of the Training Center Agreement between SECTC and the AHA.
- c. Prior to separation the Training Site will turn over all previous three (3) years training records (as outlined above).

#### Indemnification:

- a. The Training Site hereby agrees to indemnify and hold SECTC harmless from any and all claims related to business practices, injuries/exposures or the use of the Training Site by any of the trainees or Instructors and further agrees to indemnify SECTC from any claim, liability, suit, cause of action or expense related to the use, by any of the trainees or Instructors, of any methods or techniques learned in the Training Session.

#### Copyrights, Advertising and Internet:

- a. Training Sites will adhere to the advertising, marketing and internet rules and regulations as set forth in the current Program Administration Manual without exception.
- b. Training Sites will not duplicate AHA DVDs, Textbooks or Manuals.
- c. All internet web sites will follow the AHA internet guidelines.
- d. All advertising including internet, media or print must follow the AHA guidelines set forth in the most current Program Administration Manual.

#### Miscellaneous:

- a. SECTC hereby acknowledges that the Training Site and all instructors are independent of SECTC and nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to create employment, agency, joint venture, partner or any other arrangement between the Training Center and the Training Site or any of its Instructors.
- b. SECTC reserves the right to edit, add, omit or change any portion of this agreement at any time with notice supplied to the Training Site.
- c. The Training Site will immediately notify the Training Center of any personnel changes within their administration that are involved in the card ordering or documentation process, changes to mailing address, email address, internet web sites or other contact information.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date set forth below:

Training Site Coordinator

Print/Type Name

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #

Email

Training Center Coordinator

Print/Type Name

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_