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SUBJECT/TITLE: CPR Certification Policy for Undergraduate (Calgary Campus and Medicine Hat College Site)		PAGE: 1 of 2
RELATED POLICY:	DATE ESTABLISHED:	
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Policy: As stated in the MHC Academic Calendar, students are required to submit proof of current CPR Certification at the Health Care Provider Level (HCP) prior to commencement of year one of the nursing program.

Faculty of Nursing regulations state that CPR certification is valid for a 12-month period from the date of issue regardless of the expiration date printed on the card. The card is valid until the end of the month in which it expired. This is applicable for programs with a practical component.

Purpose: To ensure that the student maintains CPR certification status for the duration of each practice course.

To ensure the safety of students and the clients or patients they serve.

The professional and ethical responsibility for maintaining current CPR certification rests with the student.

Procedure: The undergraduate student will:

- Submit proof of current CPR certification annually to HStudiesInquiries@mhc.ab.ca
- If the student does not have current CPR certification, the Nursing Department Chair will be informed, and the student will be withheld from entering the learning/practice setting.

**Points of
Emphasis:**

All students will be informed of the CPR regulations prior to officially entering the program.

Within the Faculty of Nursing, the CPR Certificate is valid for 1 year from the date of issue.

Certification courses must contain a Healthcare Provider component and may be obtained through various agencies such as:

- *Heart and Stroke Foundation: BLS Provider*
- *The Canadian Red Cross: CPR/AED Level – HCP*
- *St. John's Ambulance: CPR – HCP*