



RP. 11 CPR/First Aid Requirements

Approved by Council:

Reviewed and Updated:

Resources:

[Regulated Health Professions Act](#)

[Pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician Regulations](#)

PEI College of Pharmacy policies, together with legislation, practice directives, standards and guidelines outline the practice expectations of pharmacists and pharmacy technicians in the province.

Policies use “must” to indicate an action that is mandatory for a pharmacy professional. Policies use “may” to indicate that the registrant may use professional discretion.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define CPR and first aid certification requirements.

Application

This policy is applicable to pharmacists in the general, provisional, and special classes and pharmacy students.

Policy

Pharmacists and pharmacy students are required to show evidence of current CPR and First Aid certification upon initial application and maintain the certification for renewal of registration.

Required certifications:

A. First Aid:

Certification in First Aid

B. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR):

Minimum CPR certification requirements include all the following skills (CPR Level C*):

- Adult/Child/Baby CPR – one rescuer
- Adult/Child/Baby choking
- Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Operator Certification

Additional preferred (non-mandatory) CPR skills include (CPR Level HCP*):

- Adult/Child/Baby 2-rescuer CPR
- Rescue breathing
- Bag-Valve-Masks (BVMs) use

C. **Recertification:**

Recertification is to be in accordance with the certifying organization (such as the Canadian Red Cross, St. John Ambulance Canada, Heart and Stroke Foundation, etc.).

* At time of printing, the specified CPR levels were reflective of national listings by the Canadian Red Cross and St. John Ambulance Canada.