

# RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER

## **Occupational Therapy and Recreation Therapy Department**

#### **POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

SUBJECT: CPR CERTIFICATION

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## **POLICY:**

- All Occupational Therapy and Recreation Therapy personnel and interns of two or more months duration shall be certified in CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) based on the standards of the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.
- 2. The OT/RT Department shall participate in the hospital-wide training program to train, certify and re-certify employees.
- 3. The OT/RT Department shall support training of CPR instructors and shall provide instructor time to assist in the hospital-wide training program.

### **TYPES OF CERTIFICATION/TRAINING REQUIRED:**

- 1. All <u>Therapists and Assistants</u> are required to be certified in Healthcare Provider CPR (American Heart Association).
- 2. All <u>clerical staff and employees with permanent physical restrictions</u> are required to attend Family and Friends Course, and will be issued a certificate of completion (American Heart Association).
- 3. All other staff, including Vocational Evaluators and Driving Instructors are required to be certified in Heart Saver CPR (American Heart Association).

#### **RECERTIFICATION:**

All employees must be re-certified within the time required by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross. Employees whose certification has lapsed or those who have permanent physical restrictions may treat patients only in the presence of another staff who is CPR certified.

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