

**CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION HOD P06-18-23-31** [Amended: HOD P06-06-12-09; HOD 03-86-20-82; Initial: HOD P06-80-19-55] [Position]

Basic Life Support

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) supports certification in basic life support of the adult, child, and infant for all physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, student physical therapists, and student physical therapist assistants.

In addition, APTA recommends that all health care and wellness facilities providing physical therapist services have an automated external defibrillator available for use by trained personnel during first-response cardiopulmonary resuscitation efforts.

Advanced Cardiac Life Support

APTA recommends that physical therapists and physical therapist assistants certified in advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) be authorized to perform ACLS procedures as allowable by jurisdictional law.

**Explanation of Reference Numbers:**

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