

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT CPR CERTIFICATION

1. **Q Which coaches are required to have CPR certification?**

A Effective with the 2015-16 school year, all varsity head coaches must have a valid current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certification by the established deadline for completion of the rules meeting, for the first sport in which the coach is a head coach during the school year.

2. **Q Who is authorized to provide CPR certification?**

A The MHSAA does not dictate which organization or individual must provide CPR education and certification. However, the Michigan Department of Human Services lists the following organizations that are approved to provide CPR training:

American CPR Training	<a href="http://americancpr.com">americancpr.com</a>
American Heart Association	<a href="http://americanheart.org">americanheart.org</a>
American Red Cross	<a href="http://redcross.org">redcross.org</a>
American Safety and Health Institute	<a href="http://hsi.com/ashi/about">hsi.com/ashi/about</a>
American Trauma Event Management	<a href="http://atem.us">atem.us</a>
Cardio Pulmonary Resource Center	1-800-900-2772
Emergency Care and Safety Institute	<a href="http://ecsinstitute.org">ecsinstitute.org</a>
Emergency First Response Corp.	<a href="http://emergencyfirstresponse.com">emergencyfirstresponse.com</a>
EMS Safety Services	<a href="http://emssafety.com">emssafety.com</a>
FreeCPR.Org	<a href="http://freecpr.org">freecpr.org</a>
Medic First Aid	<a href="http://medicfirstaid.com">medicfirstaid.com</a>
National Safety Council	<a href="http://nsc.org">nsc.org</a>
ProCPR, LLC	<a href="http://procpr.org">procpr.org</a>

2. **Q How expensive is the certification?**

A \$0 to \$95.

3. **Q How long does certification take?**

A Two to five hours.

4. **Q How long does the certification last?**

A Generally, two years.

5. **Q Does the MHSAA specify the age level for the CPR training?**

A No. Generally, the course for adults alerts candidates of the necessary modifications for children and infants, and vice versa.

6. **Q Does an online course satisfy the requirement?**

A Yes. While not as effective as face-to-face courses, an online course does satisfy the requirement that begins in 2015-16.

7. **Q Is it necessary for varsity head coaches to also have training in AED?**

AED training is often a part of CPR certification. AED training is preferred, but not required.