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*EMT-Paramedic  
Program - CMA  
Advanced Care  
Paramedic*

To DDS ACLS Provider:

**RE: Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) for DDS, May 15/16, 2010**

*Educational  
Seminars and  
Workshops*

First and foremost, if you receive duplicate copies of this email, or you have recently updated, please accept my apology. We are working to update the database to limit duplicate emails and not contact those that are current.

*EMT-A - CMA  
Primary Care  
Paramedic (Level  
I) and EMT  
Programs*

Please find the information regarding the next Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course for DDS. The ACLS program will be the new standards, and will include a new student manual, student CD and updated Handbook for Emergency Cardiac Care. The cost of the program is \$545.00, inclusive of the ACLS course tuition, the pre-course material and the ACLS manual as well as lunch both days.

*First Aid, CPR  
and AED  
Programs - Needs  
Assessment and  
Training*

We have scheduled the next ACLS for DDS program for May 15 and 16, 2009 in the PMA offices in St. Albert. We also have May 14 set for a CPR-HCP update, you may attend the CPR for Health Care Professionals on May 14, 2010 in our office at a cost of \$80.00 (which includes the new CPR-HCP manual and CD). Upon registration a complete package will be forwarded to you with a detailed map and other information to assist you in nearby accommodations, etc.

*Training  
Assessment,  
& Consulting*

**Prerequisites**

Current CPR course must be the BLS for Healthcare Providers course from the Canadian Heart and Stoke Foundation – please bring proof of current status for the first day of the program. For those that do not have a current BLS for HCP card, we are offering the CPR update before the ACLS program. Please also bring your ADA&C card as we need to include your registration number on the course roster.

*Interactive  
Multi-Media*

Should we be able to offer any further assistance, please feel free to contact us through email at [acls4dds@promedics.org](mailto:acls4dds@promedics.org). To register for ACLS, please contact the offices of Professional Medical Associates at (780) 460-8410 or toll-free (800) 665-6836. We look forward to providing this program for you and we wish you every success.

*National Academy  
of Professional  
Driving Programs*

Yours sincerely,

*On-site Program  
Delivery  
Specialists*

**Per:  Professional Medical Associates**

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*Paramedical and  
EMS staffing*

*Pediatric Education  
for Prehospital  
Professionals,  
Geriatric Education  
for Emergency  
Medical Services,  
BCLS, and ACLS*

## **Learning Objectives**

The primary objective of the ACLS course is to provide the participant with the knowledge and the skills to recognize and manage an impending cardiovascular emergency using the systematic ACLS approach. The ACLS for DDS program presented by Professional Medical Associates is designed to be "dental-friendly" and is focused on the needs of the dental environment.

Upon successful completion of an ACLS course, the participant will be able to:

- Perform adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Recognize and manage hypoxic states
- Recognize and react to cardiovascular crisis and learn to interface with local EMS systems such as EMT-Paramedics
- Manage the airway using basic and/or advanced equipment and techniques
- Recognize and respond to cardiac arrest rhythms and the most common brady- and tachyarrhythmias
- Safely operate a conventional monitor-defibrillator for defibrillation and synchronous cardioversion
- Safely operate a automated external defibrillator (AED)
- Appropriately use transcutaneous pacing devices
- Administer appropriate pharmacologic agents via intravenous and endotracheal routes
- Recognize and promptly manage acute coronary syndromes and stroke
- Understand the limitations and ethics surrounding resuscitation
- Provide leadership and direction to others involved in resuscitative events.

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## **Professional Medical Associates' Instructional Faculty**

Instructors are trained through the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Canada, in addition to an expanded program on adult education principles through Professional Medical Associates. The faculty is drawn from EMS professionals with a combined 50 years of educational experience including:

- Dr. Randy Crowell, DDS, EME Educator
- Dr. Jose Magathan, DDS, EME Educator
- Dr. Scott Paterson, MD, Course Medical Director and Anesthesiologist
- Dr. John McGaw, DDS, ACLS Instructor
- James Habstritt, BHSc, EMT-P
- Kim Doyle, BHSc, EMT-P

## **Biography**

The ACLS for Dentists program is coordinated and facilitated by Mr. James Habstritt, BHSc, EMT-P and Ms. Kim Doyle, BHSc, EMT-P of Professional Medical Associates. PMA is currently the only private organization in Canada to have accreditation through the Canadian Medical Association for both EMT and EMT-Paramedic programs. In addition to their educational responsibilities and training of EMS professionals, we have also been involved in training all levels of health care professionals for 12 years including RN, MD and DDS professionals, and running the ACLS for DDS program for the last 5 years with the University of Alberta Faculty of Dentistry and Medicine.