Child Care Provider First Aid / CPR Requirements

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) child care licensing rules state that at least one caregiver with current certification in age-appropriate First Aid and CPR training be on site at all times. Centers must also have at least one caregiver with current certification for every 20 children in the licensed capacity of the center. This fact sheet will help child care providers understand these requirements.

TRAINERS: To count First Aid / CPR training toward clock hours, the trainer must complete the DHSS training approval process through the Missouri Workshop Calendar. Trainer information is available at http://health.mo.gov/safety/childcare/trainerinfo.php.

NOTE:

- **Online-only** FIRST AID or CPR training is not acceptable. “Blended” training—online study plus hands-on skill practice and assessment is acceptable.

- Per Rule 19 CSR 30-62.102 (1) (O) and 19 CSR 30-61.105 (1) (N), child care personnel must meet the requirements for “age-appropriate” First Aid and CPR.

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**Which certifications are acceptable to meet the Rule?**

- American Academy of Pediatrics PedFACTS
- American Red Cross
- American Heart Association
- American Safety and Health Institute
- National Safety Council
- EMS Safety
- Emergency Care and Safety Institute

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**Which First Aid or CPR training sessions are approved for clock hours for child care providers in Missouri?**

First Aid and CPR training must be approved through the Missouri Workshop Calendar to be accepted for clock hours. See the “First Aid/CPR Training” tab on the Missouri Workshop Calendar for a list of approved trainers you may contact. Questions regarding the approval status of First Aid or CPR training may be directed to the Section for Child Care Regulation at CCTraining@health.mo.gov.

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**What are the age requirements for Pediatric First Aid and CPR and what if my certification says Infant/Child?**

Pediatric (or Infant/Child) First Aid and CPR is required when a facility is licensed for children under age 13. If the facility is licensed for children age 13 and older, Adult CPR is required.