**Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition and Stabilization (PEARS) Course**

The AHA Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition, and Stabilization (PEARS) course was designed for healthcare providers that infrequently see critically ill children. PEARS prepares a student to assess, categorize, decide and act early to stabilize the child.

The main focus of PEARS is prevention, and specifically the assessment, recognition and stabilization of pediatric victims at risk of severe cardiopulmonary distress. Through unique learning tools, such as video-based simulation, providers can see and hear critically ill children with whom they do not typically come in contact, equipping them to recognize the symptoms of pediatric victims, and thus begin stabilization prior to arrest.

The course is video based with instructor-led discussion and simulation. Students participate in, practice and complete various skills and learning stations and are required to pass skills tests, as well as a written test. Key topics covered are:

- Pediatric assessment
- Respiratory compromise and arrest recognition and management
- Circulatory compromise and arrest recognition and management
- Shock recognition and management
- Resuscitation team concept

This course does provide AHA PEARs certification.

Open to all EMT’s and Healthcare Providers