

# Dysrhythmia Interpretation & Therapeutic Modalities

This course is for Registered Nurses or Licensed Vocational Nurses who wish to learn or improve their skills in reading cardiac rhythms and Therapeutic modalities. The course has a total of 24 class hours and is divided over 3 days.

## TOPICS DISCUSSED

- Anatomy and Physiology of the heart
- Electrophysiology
- Identifying Sinus Rhythms, possible causes of dysrhythmias and interventions
- Identifying Atrial Rhythms, possible causes of dysrhythmias and interventions
- Identifying Junctional Rhythms, possible causes of dysrhythmias and interventions
- Identifying AV Blocks, possible causes of dysrhythmias and interventions
- Identifying Ventricular Dysrhythmias, possible causes of dysrhythmias and interventions
- Introduction to Pacemaking

## REQUIREMENTS

Students must have basic knowledge of cardiac anatomy, physiology and medical terminology. Class fee includes student manuals that are provided on the first day of the class, unless other arrangements are made with HeartStart Skills.

It is recommended that students purchase a supplemental manual, *Pocket Reference for ECGs Made Easy*, Fifth Edition, by Barbara Aehlert. It can be purchased through HeartStart Skills or through an online bookstore.

## CERTIFICATION

Certification is awarded based on a passing score on the written test. The written test consists of 76 items (50 multiple choice questions, 26 rhythm strips), a score of 80% is the minimum passing score. Certification is valid for 4 years.

## REGISTRATION

We strongly recommend signing up a month ahead of time. Our seating is limited and therefore classes are booked immediately.