

FLORIDA RESUSCITATION CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



General Information

What is the Florida Resuscitation Center of Excellence (FRCE) program?

The FRCE program is an initiative to improve cardiac arrest outcomes across Florida by establishing a network of hospitals committed to resuscitation excellence through evidence-based practices, education, and collaboration.

What are the goals of the program?

The program aims to:

- Improve survival rates for out-of-hospital and in-hospital cardiac arrest.
- Standardize resuscitation protocols across the state.
- Enhance training and education for healthcare teams.
- Provide data-driven insights to drive continuous improvement.

Eligibility and Participation

Who can participate in the program?

Any hospital in Florida providing emergency and critical care services is eligible, including urban, suburban, and rural facilities.

Is there a cost to participate?

There is no cost or fees associated with participation in the FRCE.

Does ECMO need to be available in hospital 24/7? Are "Call out/Call -Back" procedures allowed?

Yes, to meet criteria ECMO must be available 24/7 at participating facilities.

Benefits of Participation

What are the benefits for our hospital?

- Improved patient outcomes and survival rates.
- Recognition as a Florida Resuscitation Center of Excellence.
- Access to advanced training, tools, and best practices.
- Opportunities for professional development and collaboration.
- Benchmarking data to assess performance and drive improvements.

How will this impact our hospital's reputation?

Participating in the program demonstrates your hospital's commitment to high-quality, life-saving care, enhancing your reputation among patients, peers, and the community.

Recognition and Certification

What does it mean to be certified as a FRCE?

Certification recognizes hospitals that meet or exceed program standards for resuscitation care, distinguishing them as leaders in life-saving practices. Certified FRCEs will receive marketing materials and public recognition to promote their achievement.

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Implementation and Support

What support will we receive during implementation?

Participants receive:

- A dedicated liaison or "FRCE coach."
- Training materials, protocols, and toolkits as well as access to webinars, workshops, and ongoing technical support.
- Data analytics and feedback through CARES participation to guide improvement.

Will this require additional resources or staffing?

Most hospitals can integrate the program into existing workflows. The program focuses on optimizing current processes, but hospitals are encouraged to designate a resuscitation champion to oversee implementation.

Who can participate in the program?

Timelines vary by hospital readiness, with initial implementation taking as little as 3 months.

Data and Reporting

What are the benefits of collaborating through data?

CARES software enables EMS agencies to generate real-time survival, response interval, and demographic reports to drive system improvements for resuscitation outcomes.

What metrics are used to evaluate performance?

Metrics include cardiac arrest survival rates, return of spontaneous circulation (ROSC) rates, adherence to resuscitation protocols, and post-arrest care outcomes.

Will we receive performance feedback?

Yes, hospitals receive regular benchmarking reports and actionable insights to identify strengths and areas for improvement.

Enrollment Process

How can we join the program?

Complete the interest form or contact us to begin the readiness assessment and onboarding.

Is this program state regulated?

No, there is no law or regulation requiring involvement.

Who can we contact for more information?

See below for contact information.

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