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SUBJECT: 2012 Fact Sheets for Acceptable Certifications: First Aid, CPR, and Aquatics

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For your information, attached are the updated "Fact Sheets" that list certifications determined to be equivalent to those specified in Subpart 7-2 and/or Part 6 of the New York State Sanitary Code.

1. The following Fact Sheets include changes for 2012:

Aquatic Certifications for NYS Bathing Facilities

- American Red Cross (ARC) courses "Lifeguard/First Aid/CPR/AED, Lifeguard/First Aid/CPR/AED with Waterpark Skills Module, and Lifeguard/First Aid/CPR/AED with Waterfront Skills Module" have been added.
- American Red Cross course "Shallow Water Lifeguarding/First Aid/CPR/AED" has been added for water depths of 5 feet or less.
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation course "New York State Lifeguard" has been added.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification for NYS Children's Camps and NYS Bathing Facilities

- American Red Cross course "CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and Healthcare Providers" has been added.
- Emergency Care Systems course "Basic Cardiac Life Support – C" has been removed.
- National Safety Council course "NSC Basic Life Support for Health Care & Professional Rescuers" has been added. Certification card indicates "NSC Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers."

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- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation course “CPR/AED for Lifeguards, Camp Counselors and Camp Directors” has been added.
- Workplace CPR course “Professional Rescuer CPR” has been removed.

First Aid Certifications for NYS Children’s Camps Staff

- American Red Cross course “Emergency Medical Response” has been added.
- Emergency Care and Safety Institute course “Emergency Medical Responder” and “Boy Scouts of America Wilderness First Aid (certification title – Wilderness First Aid BSA (16 hours)” have been added.
- National Safety Council courses “NSC Advanced First Aid, CPR & AED” and “NSC Emergency Medical Response” have been added.
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation course “Summer Camp First Aid for Camp Counselors and Camp Directors” has been added.
- St. John Ambulance Canada courses “Standard First Aid, Advanced Medical First Responder – Level 1, and Advanced Medical First Responder – Level 2” have been added.
- Workplace CPR course “Emergency Rescue” has been removed.
- A list of first aid certifications that are accepted for certain summer day camps and trip leaders for camp trip swimming activities with emergency medical care readily available has been added. The criteria for a day camp to qualify has been modified since last used in 2010 as follows:
 - The day camp may not have activities such as equestrian, bicycling, challenge course, rock climbing, boating, riflery, archery, motorized recreational vehicles, wilderness hiking/activities, and similar activities.
 - Emergency medical care is available within 10 minutes.

Camp Aquatics Director for NYS Children’s Camp Bathing Facilities

- The Fact Sheet has been updated to be consistent with 2011 amendments to the Camp Aquatic Director qualifications in Section 7-2.5(e) of Subpart 7-2 of the State Sanitary Code.
- Acceptable training courses in Lifeguard Supervision and Management have been added.

2. New Fact Sheets:

Camp Trip Swimming Program Safety Certifications

- Specifies courses that have been accepted to allow camp staff to supervise camp trip swimming activities to lifeguarded facilities in accordance to Section 7-2.11(a)(4)(iv)(a) of Supart 7-2.

Epinephrine Auto-Injector Program Certifications

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- Specifies courses that have been accepted to allow camp staff to use and epinephrine auto-injector device as part of an Epinephrine Auto-Injector Program established in accordance with Section 3000-c of Public Health Law.

3. No changes have been made to the following Fact Sheets for 2012:

- Progressive Swimming Instructor for NYS Children's Camps
- Learn to Swim Program for NYS Children's Camps

As a reminder, CPR certifications are only accepted as current for one year after the course date regardless of the expiration date listed on the card. Please remember to submit your camp applications at least 60 days prior to the start of camp.

If you have any questions regarding these Fact Sheets please contact Audrey Balander at 607-274-6688.

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