



Trauma Education for Registered Nurses July 2018

Courses that meet trauma-related continuing education include trauma specific courses approved by national or state accrediting agencies.

For RNs, TNCC or ATCN, ENPC (2 pedi hours), PALS (2 pedi hours) and PEARS (2 pedi hours) meet the trauma education requirements for trauma center designation. It is to your advantage to take TNCC or ATCN, ENPC, PALS and PEARS to meet the requirements because the state has budgeted for reimbursement of these specific courses. Reimbursement must be requested at least 30-days in advance through Sherri Wren, Trauma Program Manager at sherri.wren@nebraska.gov.

The following are other trauma-related topics that may be used in hourly increments to meet the 8 hours every 2 years of trauma education with 2 hours in pediatrics:

- Trauma to the Abdomen
- Trauma to the Thorax
- Emergency Trauma Assessment
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Emergency Burn Evaluation and Care
- Trauma in the Elderly
- Trauma of the Muscular and Skeletal Systems
- Trauma of the Eye
- Emergency Pediatric Trauma
- Syndromes of the Spinal Cord
- Emergency Stabilization and Transfer
- Orthopedic Spine
- Rural Trauma Team Development Course
- Simulation Classes (Simulation in Motion Nebraska - SIM-NE), where scenarios must be trauma-related and certificates must be provided.
- TCAR
- Shock
- SANE (2 hours)

NOTE: Funds have not been budgeted at this time for continuing education topics in hourly increments or symposiums highlighted in blue.

If trauma education is incorporated as one or two topics in an eight hour class then “the hour” or whatever time-frame is designated for the topic must be documented for each nurse. Please provide documentation that provides the course taken, the instructor, and the number of hours provided for each nurse.

Other approved trauma related education includes:

Trauma-related symposiums, e.g., CHI Trauma Symposium, Nebraska Medicine Trauma Symposium, Children's Hospital Trauma Grand Rounds and/or Trauma Conference, Bryan Trauma Symposium, Norfolk Trauma Symposium, Midwest Trauma Society Symposium. Copies of these certificates should also be available the time of the re-designation visit.

If you have questions as to whether a course will meet trauma continuing education requirements for re-designation, please contact your regional trauma nurse educator.



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