"Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers" or "CPR for the Professional Rescuer" Training Policy

The University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy requires all Pharm.D. students to have valid CPR certification upon entering the Pharm.D. program and to maintain that certification through graduation from the program. This certification must be either Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers (American Heart Association—two-year certification) or CPR for the Professional Rescuer (American Red Cross—one-year certification). This qualification ensures all students have demonstrated the skills necessary to respond during emergencies while participating in Early, Introductory, and Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences (EPPEs, IPPEs, APPEs) and internships. The Office of Student Services verifies all certificates of CPR training completion. Students who do not have current certification will have a registration hold placed on their record and will not be allowed to participate in required EPPEs, IPPEs, and APPEs.