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To: All Affiliates, Instructor Trainers, National Lifeguard Instructors, Lifesaving & First Aid Instructors and First Aid Instructors
From: Kathy Plett, Carl Shier
CC: Kevin Tordiffe, Chris Love
Date: January 28, 2016
RE: Notification of Immediate Change Required by Manitoba Workplace Safety & Health for First Aid Recertification Courses

Please be advised that effective February 1st 2016, the length of time for Standard First Aid and Aquatic Emergency Care **recertification** courses have been changed. Attached is a copy of the letter from Manitoba Workplace Safety and Health notifying all training agencies of this change. This change in recertification course length is required by all first aid training agencies in Manitoba in order to maintain their recognition with Workplace Safety and Health as an authorized first aid training agency in the province.

The following changes are required:

- Standard First Aid recertification courses must be 16 hours in length.
- Aquatic Emergency Care recertification courses must be 18 hours in length.

There is no change to Emergency First Aid recertification courses. Emergency First Aid and CPR-A certification and recertification courses will continue to be 8 hours in length.

The Program Guide has been updated to reflect these changes and the updated version will be available on the website by January 30th 2016.

Please ensure that you program all of your first aid recertification courses that are scheduled for February 1st 2016 or later to comply with the above time guidelines. As per our certification review policy, anyone who does not program and teach any Lifesaving Society course in accordance to the guidelines in the Program Guide will be subject to a review and appropriate action will be taken by the Society to ensure that the issue is rectified and does not reoccur.

Should you have any questions, please contact Kathy Plett at kplett@lifesaving.mb.ca or 204-956-2124.

The Lifesaving Society values each and every one of our affiliates and trainers and the commitment you have all made to the Society's mission, vision and values.

Sincerely,

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