

ESLS and ASLS Comparison Chart

| Course | Essential Stroke Life Support | Advanced Stroke Life Support |
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| Audience | ESLS is ideal for basic healthcare providers who may not treat or manage patients with stroke as part of their normal scope of practice. | ASLS is appropriate for advanced healthcare providers involved in the management of acute stroke patients. |
| Format | ESLS eLearning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> fully self-directed online only course features adaptive learning technology that adjusts in real-time to customize each learning experience to the individual student uses virtual patient case simulations that include conducting a primary survey of the patient, a stroke assessment, SAMPLE History, and early interventions does not require a separate skills testing check-off | ASLS Blended Learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> consists of both an online, self-directed portion, followed by an in-person skills testing session with an ASLS Instructor the online component features adaptive learning technology that adjusts in real-time to customize each learning experience to the individual student in-person skills tests challenges learners to apply the skills and knowledge obtained from the online portion to correctly perform neurologic exams, diagnose, and manage patients with stroke |
| Course Completion | eLearning Course Components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> adaptive learning online component virtual patient case simulations course completion survey | Blended Learning Course Components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> adaptive learning online component in-person skills testing with an ASLS Instructor course completion survey |
| Completion Card | Course Completion Certificate | ASLS Provider Course Completion eCard valid for 2 years |
| Time | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approximately 2.5 hours for both components of the online course | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approximately 6–8 hours for the online component depending on course track 1 hour with 1:1 student to Instructor ratio for classroom component |
| Continuing Education | Physicians (AMA), physician assistants (AAPA), nurses (ANCC), nurse practitioners (AANP), EMS (CAPCE), respiratory therapists (AARC) | Physicians (AMA), physician assistants (AAPA), nurses (ANCC), nurse practitioners (AANP), EMS (CAPCE), respiratory therapists (AARC) |
| Student Materials | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ESLS Online eLearning Course ESLS Provider Manual eBook ESLS Reference Card (print) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASLS Online: Prehospital Provider Course ASLS Online: In-Hospital Provider Course ASLS Online: Prehospital & In-Hospital Provider Course ASLS Digital Reference Guide |
| Instructor Materials | No Instructor component | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASLS Instructor Manual eBook ASLS Digital Course Videos ASLS Instructor Essentials Online ASLS Instructor Essentials Digital Course Videos |