



UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

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TO: All Personnel

FROM: Captain Holmes

SUBJECT: UFA Cardiac Academy – New Course Offering

EMS Division is pleased to announce a new internal educational opportunity. The first “UFA Cardiac Academy” class will be offered at the ECC on Friday, March 8, 2024 from 0900-1700. CME will be awarded to those who attend the course in its entirety. This course will be offered again on future dates to be determined. We anticipate offering the course once per year.

This course will consist of reviewing cardiac anatomy and physiology, 4-lead rhythm interpretation, 12-lead rhythm interpretation, assessing basic heart sounds as well as the pathophysiology of abnormal sounds, AV blocks, arrhythmias, and pathological dysrhythmias. It will also cover all the cardiac medications UFA currently carries as well as the mechanisms of prescribed medications that may be encountered in the field during patient care such as ACE inhibitors, calcium channel blockers, beta blockers, etc.

The course will be capped at 30 individuals. Department business and overtime will not be provided, this course will be on the individual’s own time and is also free of charge. Course registration can be completed in LMS under the “Events” tab and will be on a first-come, first-served basis and is open to all provider levels working either full-time or part-time. Preference will be given to full-time employees if more than 30 people express interest.

Those attending are encouraged to come prepared to participate in discussions and ask questions. There will be hands-on opportunities and bringing a high-quality personal stethoscope is also encouraged.

If you have any questions or need to reach out regarding this course, please contact EMS Training Specialist Amanda Lawrence at alawrence@unifiedfire.org or 801-231-1411.