

# NRP 8<sup>th</sup> Edition FAQs 2:

## October 2021



### Provider Curriculum

**Q1: Do those who need to take the Advanced Provider curriculum (Lessons 1 through 11) need to purchase both the Essentials and Advanced curricula?**

**A:** The Essentials curriculum covers lessons 1 through 4 of the NRP textbook. The Advanced curriculum covers lessons 1-11, so it includes the Essentials portion as well. Both curricula are the same price. They are independent curricula and do not build upon one another, therefore Advanced learners only need to purchase the Advanced curriculum, not both.

**Q2: If someone needed to complete the Essentials Provider curriculum but then began a new role and needed to have an Advanced Provider eCard, can they just take the additional lessons 5 through 11?**

**A:** In a hospital that uses instructor-led courses, they need to take the full Advanced Provider curriculum; however, because they are already familiar with NRP Lessons 1 through 4 and the Online Learning Assessment, they should be able to move through the Online Learning Assessment very quickly and proceed through the NRP Advanced Exam (Lessons 5 through 11). It may be possible to test out of the Essentials course (if the hospital's NRP offers Comprehensive Skills Testing [testing out]) and participate in an instructor-led course for Lessons 5-11 only (hands-on skills for Lessons 5 through 7) with integration of preterm birth, special circumstances, and end-of-life scenarios, depending on the course learning objectives.

In a hospital that uses RQI for NRP, the learner already maintains an Essentials eCredential; therefore, they would need to take the NRP Advanced Exam (Lessons 5 through 11) and attend an instructor-led course for Lessons 5 through 11 only (hands-on skills for Lessons 5 through 7) with integration of preterm birth, special circumstances, and end-of-life scenarios, depending on the course learning objectives. This is how RQI learners attain their NRP Advanced Provider Endorsement.

**Q3: What is the quarterly curriculum for RQI for NRP?**

**A:** Each quarter, the RQI for NRP learner goes to the simulation station and completes:

- The **cognitive** activity: the learner reads an unfold-

ing case scenario and answers multiple-choice questions about newborn resuscitation management. The learners must recall the correct NRP Algorithm sequence and use critical thinking to choose the correct intervention.

- The **skills** activity: the learner practices face-mask PPV with automated feedback until the learner demonstrates competence with ventilation on a newborn simulator. MR. SOPA ventilation corrective steps are practiced at 2 of the 4 quarterly sessions (including laryngeal mask insertion). Every 2 years, the learner participates in a team exercise to strengthen communication and team building skills.

**Q4: How soon after completing the Part 1 Online Learning Assessment (and NRP Advanced Exam, if applicable) must a learner participate in the instructor-led event?**

**A:** A learner must complete an Instructor-led Event within 90 days of completing the cognitive components of the course.

**Q5: How long does it take a learner to complete the Instructor-led Courses?**

**A:** Learners begin by taking the adaptive eLearning (called the Online Learning Assessment). The Online Learning Assessment takes anywhere from less than 30 minutes to 1.5 hours, depending on the learner's knowledge of the content in Lessons 1 through 4.

Class length totally depends on the instructor : learner ratio (recommended as 1 instructor: 3-4 learners), the resources available for allowing people to practice skills (waiting for their turn vs. being able to practice simultaneously), and the learners' current skill levels.

An Essentials instructor-led course with skills review, practice scenarios, and sim/debriefing typically takes about 2 hours.

An Advanced instructor-led provider course (skills in Lessons 5 through 7) in the Sequential Practice and Evaluation format, should take 1.5 - 2 hours, again, depending on the variables mentioned above.

**Q6: I am concerned that in hospitals using Essentials and Advanced providers, only people who have taken an NRP 8th edition course will be officially designated as Essentials or Advanced providers. Will current NRP 7th edition providers remain unassigned or assigned as Advanced providers until it is time for them to renew using the 8th edition curriculum?**

**For example, mother-baby nurses in our hospital will be designated Neonatal Resuscitation Program® (NRP®) Essentials providers. A mother-baby nurse who needs to renew their NRP status in January 2022 will take the NRP Essentials curriculum when they renew. Does this mean that their colleague, a mother-baby nurse whose 7th edition NRP card does not expire until, for example, September 2023, is an unknown provider category for almost 2 years into 8th edition? Or does their 7th edition NRP card mean they are an Advanced provider until they renew as an Essentials provider? It will be confusing to have people with the same professional role in 2 different provider categories.**

**A:** Hospitals are not required to use both Essentials and Advanced providers; many hospitals require that all staff participate in newborn resuscitation beyond positive-pressure ventilation (PPV) and will not designate any staff as Essentials providers. However, your hospital is using both Essentials and Advanced providers, and every staff member's provider category can be designated prior to their NRP renewal with 8th edition curriculum.

All NRP 7th edition providers passed the entire 7th edition course; therefore, the assignment of an NRP 7th edition provider to Essentials or Advanced provider category simply defines their role and responsibilities after the hospital implements NRP 8th edition materials and practice. A person with an NRP 7th edition card may be designated as an Essentials provider, responsible for initiating unanticipated resuscitation through face-mask ventilation and laryngeal mask insertion. An NRP 7th edition provider designated as an Advanced provider participates in births with known risk factors and performs skills beyond face-mask PPV. Upon NRP renewal and completion of an NRP 8th edition Provider Course, the provider's NRP eCard will officially designate their Essentials or Advanced provider status.

## Instructor Curriculum and Toolkit

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**Q1: Do instructors need to take the 8th ed Instructor Course before using the 8th ed toolkit?**

**A:** No, but the NRP 8th edition Instructor Course will be posted in the Instructor Toolkit for all instructors to review (not applicable for renewal). It is strongly recommended that current instructors review the Instructor Course and read through the Instructor Toolkit content so that they understand the changes in NRP 8th edition and are able to teach quality NRP 8th edition courses.

**Q2: Do instructors need to complete the 8th ed curriculum before January 1, 2022?**

**A:** No, but Instructors should keep up to date with the science and updates. Resources are available in:

- [Instructor Update Newsletter](#)
- [Busy People Update #1](#) and [Busy People Update #2](#)
- NRP Instructor Toolkit

**Q3: What is in the Instructor Renewal Curriculum? What is in the Instructor Toolkit?**

**A:** The NRP 8th Edition Instructor Renewal Curriculum contains:

- The adaptive eLearning, called the Online Learning Assessment (Lessons 1 through 4)
- The NRP Advanced Exam (35 questions that cover Lessons 5 through 11)
- The NRP Instructor Exam (20 questions that cover instructor-specific information)
- The Instructor Course – New animated format!

The Instructor Toolkit includes:

- Information about the NRP origin and structure
- How NRP works in hospitals that use instructor-led courses and in hospitals that use RQI for NRP
- NRP classroom setups and formats, sample course agendas, numerous forms and documents to help instructors teach quality provider courses
- Multimedia for teaching hands-on skills and conducting simulation/debriefing
- Resources for instructor candidates and mentors
- FAQs and tutorials to help instructors learn about the NRP Learning Platform

**Q4: Is the NRP textbook included in the instructor toolkit or in RQI for NRP?**

**A:** The Textbook of Neonatal Resuscitation, 8th edition is not provided in the Instructor Toolkit or in the RQI for NRP program. The textbook is available for purchase via [shopAAP](#). RQIP does not sell the textbook.

**Q5: Will the Instructor Toolkit have scenarios for instructor use during Instructor-led events?**

**A:** The Textbook of Neonatal Resuscitation, 8th edition includes practice scenarios at the end of Lessons 2-7. The Scenario Builder, a document in the Instructor Toolkit, simplifies the process of building scenarios based on learning objectives.

NRP 8th edition scenarios are also available for purchase here: [Scenario Library](#) | [Scenario Cloud](#) ([laerdal.com](#))

## Other

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**Q1: Are there Continuing Education credits offered for taking NRP?**

**A:** Continuing Education (CE) credits are offered for the online components of the NRP curricula. The number of hours varies based on which curriculum is being completed and what kind of credit is being claimed. The certificate with this information will be generated upon completion of Part 1 of the Provider and Instructor Candidate curricula or the Instructor Renewal Curriculum.

**Q2: Will an admin that is not an instructor have access to the NRP LP to set up courses and view records?**

**A:** Organizations can work with RQI Partners to set up their own account, which will allow for administrator access. They can be reached at [nrpsupport@rqipartners.com](mailto:nrpsupport@rqipartners.com).

**Q3: Is there a video summary of 8th edition practice changes that Instructors can include in the Provider course?**

**A:** Both the NRP Live webinar from Oct 2020 and the Innov8te Event Feb 2021 webinar have overviews of the changes for the 8th edition. For a quick review of NRP 8th edition practice changes, see the [Update for Busy People #1](#) or the [NRP Instructor Update Fall/Winter 2020; Vol 29\(2\)](#).