



ALSO® Status Life Cycle

ALSO® Provider
Five year status



ALSO® Advisory Faculty
must maintain Approved Instructor status
to maintain Advisory Faculty status

ALSO® Instructor Candidate
Attend an ALSO Instructor Course and instruct
one course within one year and receive
recommendation/approval to have
Approved Instructor status

ALSO® Approved Instructor
Five year status
must instruct three courses
within five years to maintain status

ALSO Provider - Participation in an ALSO Provider Course and passing the written examination and megadelivery testing station designates the participant as an **ALSO Provider**. To maintain Provider status, the individual must attend another Provider or Refresher course before their five-year expiration date. An **ALSO Provider** is eligible to be Course Director for an ALSO Provider Course. The ALSO Advisory Board *recommends* that the Course Director be an Approved Instructor or Instructor Candidate although it is not mandatory.

Instructor Candidate - An **ALSO Provider** is eligible to attend an **ALSO Instructor Course**. Participation in an ALSO Instructor Course designates the provider as an **ALSO Instructor Candidate**. The instructor candidate must teach in a Provider Course **within one year** of taking the instructor course and be evaluated and recommended by an ALSO Advisory Faculty for Approved Instructor status. The Instructor Candidate Evaluation form must be submitted by the Advisory Faculty to the ALSO Program Department before the one year expiration date of the Candidate.

ALSO Approved Instructor - An **Instructor Candidate** whose teaching skills have been evaluated by an **Advisory Faculty** and has been recommended to be an **ALSO Approved Instructor**. To maintain Approved Instructor status, the individual must teach in three courses every five years. The five year cycle begins the day the provider completes the ALSO Instructor course. Your provider status is automatically extended to meet the Approved Instructor expiration date, and you will be exempt from taking the provider course as long as you maintain ALSO Approved Instructor status by teaching in three courses every five years. If you do not maintain the Instructor teaching requirements, your ALSO status will expire and you will need to take a provider course and instructor course, again to regain the status.

ALSO Advisory Faculty - To be considered for Advisory Faculty status, you must submit the required Advisory Faculty Application Form and be recommended by a current ALSO Advisory Faculty. Maintaining Approved Instructor status is required for applying for an ALSO Advisory Faculty status. This faculty position requires that the person be considered an “expert” on all aspects of the ALSO Provider Course. It is mandatory that there be an ALSO Advisory Faculty present at every provider course to maintain quality, consistency, and ensure that the course adheres to all the requirements set forth by the ALSO Advisory Board.

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