

Pataula Charter Academy

Spring Creek Charter Academy

TITLE: Automated External Defibrillator Policy

APPROVED BY: TheGoverning Board

REFERENCES: O.C.G.A 20-02-0775 (See attached)

PURPOSE:

To provide guidance in the management and administration of the school's AED program.

DEFINITION:

Automated External Defibrillator (AED) means a defibrillator which:

1. Is capable of cardiac rhythm analysis;
2. Will charge and be capable of being activated to deliver a countershock after electrically detecting the presence of certain cardiac dysrhythmias; and
3. Is capable of continuously recording cardiac dysrhythmia at the scene with a mechanism for transfer and storage or for printing for review subsequent to use.

POLICY:

Pataula Charter Academy and Spring Creek Charter Academy shall maintain at least one functional Automated External Defibrillator (AED) on site at the school for use during emergencies. The AED shall be easily accessible during the school day and during any school related function including; athletic practices, athletic competitions, and other occasions where students and others will be present.

Pataula Charter Academy and Spring Creek Academy shall:

1. Ensure that the notification of local Emergency Medical Services of the existence, location, and type of AED will be done prior to it being placed into use.
2. Ensure that the AED is always readily available and is maintained and tested according to the manufacturer's guidelines and that a log representing such will be completed and maintained in the Nurse's Office.
3. Require that the School Nurse be responsible for the implementation and oversight of this program, as well as serve as the primary contact for the designated healthcare provider charged with ensuring compliance for the AED program.
4. Provide designated personnel for use of the AED in the case of an emergency related to cardiac dysrhythmia. A list of these personnel will be maintained in the AED/CPR notebook in the Nurse's Office.
5. Ensure that the expected users of the AED American Heart Association or American Red Cross training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and automated external defibrillator use or complete an equivalent nationally recognized course.
6. Require that any person who renders emergency care by using the AED immediately activate local EMS services by calling 911 so that the individual can be transported to the emergency room for follow-up care.

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7. Ensure that there is involvement of a licensed physician or other person authorized by the Georgia Composite Medical Board in the site's AED program to ensure compliance with requirements for training, notification, and maintenance.

8. Ensure that designated personnel activate the emergency medical services system as soon as reasonably possible after any person renders emergency care or treatment to a person in cardiac arrest by using an AED and reports any clinical use of the AED to the licensed physician or other person authorized by the Georgia Composite Medical Board who is supervising the program.

9. Require that any person who renders emergency care by using the AED notify the program coordinator (who shall notify the designated licensed healthcare provider) and complete the required documentation.

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