

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR USAGE

The Horseheads Central School District Board of Education recognizes that cardiac emergencies may arise that justify the use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). To this end, the district shall provide and maintain AED equipment for use by qualified personnel.

The Board shall enter into a collaborative agreement with an Emergency Health Care Provider* to monitor the program and ensure that all designated responders are properly trained and that the AEDs are properly maintained. The district and the Emergency Health Care Provider will develop a written collaborative agreement that contains all the provisions for administration and use of the AEDs including: training requirements; location of individual AED units; the maintenance and inspection of the AEDs; the identification of the local emergency response providers; and assurances that 911 will be called immediately for emergency assistance.

The Superintendent of Schools (or his designee) shall ensure that AED equipment is available on site in each instructional school facility in quantities adequate to ensure ready and appropriate access for use during emergencies. School administrators shall ensure the presence of at least one staff person who is trained in the operation and use of an AED:

1. Whenever the district school facilities are used for school sponsored or school approved curricular or extracurricular events or activities, or
2. Whenever a school sponsored athletic contest is held at any location.

Where a school sponsored activity/event or competitive athletic event is held at a site other than district owned property, the district staff members responsible for the school group shall either ensure that AED equipment is located at the site, or ensure that district AED equipment accompanies the group.

* Emergency Health Care Provider is defined as a physician or hospital with knowledge and experience in the delivery of emergency cardiac care.

Ref: Education Law 917
 Public Health Law 3000a(2); 3000b
~~*Cardiac Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) in Public School Facilities, Office of Regional and School Community Services, SED, July 2002.*~~
 8 NYCRR §136.4

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