

STUDENTSEmergency Care and AED Policy Statement

The D.C. Everest School District agreed to place automated electronic defibrillator(s) or (AED) at designated site(s) within the district for emergency care on a victim of cardiac arrest. The AED is used in an emergency setting on an unconscious victim of a cardiac arrest as evidenced by the absence of breathing and a pulse. The victim must be older than eight (8) years of age and weigh more than fifty-five (55) pounds to receive electronic defibrillation using a public access device.

Furthermore, the district will abide by all of the certification requirements for emergent care and AED use as stated in Assembly Bill 230 Act 7 Section 1: 146:50(8g) and Section 2: 895.48(4).

First, in accordance with section 146:50 (8g),

“A person (rescuer) other than an emergency medical technician or a first responder may use a semiautomatic electronic defibrillator in rendering emergency care or providing treatment to an individual who appears to be in cardiac arrest if the person (rescuer) has received training in a an approved course for which a physician serves as the medical director and is approved by the department of health and family services”.

The American Red Cross CPR and AED instructional programming is the current course approved for use at D.C. Everest. If a medical emergency arises at a district or community sponsored event, only certified trained staff, students, or lay rescuers may initiate emergent defibrillation care in accordance with the stated policy and procedure.

Second, in accordance with section 2 895.4 (4a),

“Any of the following (rescuers) who meet the applicable requirement of section 146.50(8g) and who act within the applicable limitation of section 146.50 (8g) is immune from civil liability for the acts or omissions of a person in rendering in good faith emergency care by use of an AED unit under section 146.50(8g) to an individual who appears to be in a cardiac arrest.”

Therefore, civil immunity is granted to the following parties –

1. The person (rescuer) who renders the care.
2. The physician who serves as the medical director for the program and training course.
3. The owner of the semiautomatic defibrillator device.
4. The provider of the training course.

In accordance with the Nurse Practice Act and Standard G, a licensed physician will serve as the medical director and oversee all aspects of the emergent care and AED program. The district registered nurse will serve as the district AED Coordinator to ensure compliance with the statutes as outlined in Assembly Bill 239 Sections 1 and 2.

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