

SUBJECT: PUBLIC SAFETY AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR
TRAINING PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Date: 07/01/05

- I. **Authority:** Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Sections 1797.170, 1797.206, 1797.208 and 1797.214, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Chapter 1.5, Sections 100020, 100021.
- II. **Purpose:** To establish standardized Public Safety (PS) Automated External Defibrillator (AED) curriculum and program approval requirements.
- III. **Policy:**
 - A. San Diego County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) shall approve PS AED Training Programs.
 - B. Program approval or disapproval shall be made in writing by EMS to the requesting training program within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed thirty (30) days, after receipt of all required documentation.
 - C. Program approval shall be renewed every four (4) years.
- IV. **Procedure:**
 - A. The requesting training agency shall submit to EMS the following materials to be considered for program approval:
 1. Outline and objectives for the minimum four (4) hour PS AED training course, to include:
 - a. Proper use, maintenance and periodic inspection of the automated external defibrillator (AED).
 - b. The importance of defibrillation, advanced life support (ALS), adequate airway care, and internal emergency response system, if applicable.

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- c. Overview of the EMS system, the local EMS system's medical control policies, 9-1-1 access, and interaction with EMS personnel.
- d. Assessment of an unconscious patient, to include evaluation of airway, breathing, and circulation to determine cardiac arrest.
- e. Information relating to AED safety precautions to enable the individual to administer a shock without jeopardizing the safety of the patient or rescuers or other nearby persons.
- f. Recognition that an electrical shock has been delivered to the patient and that the AED is no longer charged.
- g. Rapid, accurate assessment of the patient's post-shock status.
- h. The appropriate continuation of care following a successful defibrillation.

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