

Obion County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in April	Descriptor Term: Automatic External Defibrillators (AED)	Descriptor Code: 6.4011	Issued Date: 12/01/08
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1 Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) - or massive heart attack - as it is sometimes known, can strike anyone. An
 2 AED in the school setting may save lives through appropriate use by trained laypersons. It is important
 3 to identify the population in the school setting for whom an AED may be beneficial; the personnel to be
 4 trained should be those staff members who will have the most contact with this target population. The
 5 identified populations for whom an AED may be beneficial include: students, school staff, and any visitors
 6 attending any public events held at the school.
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8 Those who may be trained in usage of the AED include and are not limited to: teachers, safety team
 9 members, coaches, athletic directors, physical education/health teachers, cafeteria employees, custodial
 10 staff and school health nurses. There must be at least eight (8) identified school personnel who are CPR
 11 certified and have obtained AED training per school. Training and documentation of training will be the
 12 responsibility of the school nurse for each school. Documentation will be given to the director of Coordin-
 13 ated School Health on an annual basis.
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15 The location of an AED in the school is very important. It should be easily accessible during sporting
 16 events and all other school related events held at the school in addition to being accessible during the
 17 school day for staff, students, and school visitors. The day location may be the school nursing office, the
 18 school administration office, or other well-recognized site. Any other location for the AED chosen by the
 19 school must take into consideration ease of access.
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21 Any AED within the Obion County School System must be registered with the Baptist Hospital EMS Co-
 22 ordinator. As required by law, a plan for training and use will also be submitted. The physician who serves
 23 as the Medical Director for the school system will serve as the Medical Director for the plan, as long as
 24 the submitted plan follows policy and procedure outlined in this document.
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26 Maintenance of the AEDs will be the responsibility of the principal/designee of the school which the AED
 27 is housed. The maintenance reports should be turned in annually to the Coordinated School Health office.
 28 The Obion County Schools Office of Coordinated School Health will be the coordinator of all AEDs in
 29 the school system.
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31 Each time the AED is used, the person using the AED must complete a utilization report. This is a legal
 32 requirement that must be met. The report will be submitted to the Obion County Schools Coordinated
 33 School Health office, and will be forwarded to the Medical Director and the Baptist Hospital EMS Coor-
 34 dinator once it has been reviewed. The Coordinated School Health office will be responsible for tracking
 35 overall utilization and maintenance of AEDs in the Obion County School System.
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