

# Series 1000

## Community/Board Operations

### **POLICY REGARDING AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS**

In order to assist individuals who may experience cardiac arrest on school property, the Eastford Board of Education has acquired an external defibrillator for use in the school building. It is the policy of the Eastford Board of Education to support the use of these automatic external defibrillator during medically appropriate circumstances on school property.

Requirements concerning the use and maintenance of AEDs are set forth in the accompanying Administrative Regulations as may be supplemented by or amended by the Administration from time to time.

For purposes of this policy and the accompanying regulations, an AED is a device that:

- 1) is used to administer an electric shock through the chest wall to the heart;
- 2) contains internal decision-making electronics, microcomputers or special software that allows it to interpret physiologic signals, make medical diagnosis and, if necessary apply therapy;
- 3) guides the user through the process of using the device by audible or visual prompts; and
- 4) does not require the user to employ any discretion or judgment in its use.

#### Legal References:

	Connecticut General Statutes	
	19a-175	Definitions
	19a-197	Automatic external defibrillators. Registry established. Regulations. Simultaneous communication with physician not required.
	52-557b	Good Samaritan Law
Schools	10-212d	Availability of Automatic External Defibrillators in Schools

#### Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies

Department of Public Health 19a-179-1 et seq.