

Summarization: PAD Program Training and Management Services Offered and Required

Phase 1 (American Heart Association Certification Training)

Mandatory certification training (CPR/AED only) consists of didactic as well as manipulative instruction and activity. The course is approximately three to four hours in length for initial certification. An in-depth instruction manual as well as a two-year CPR certification card from the American Heart Association (AHA) is included in the cost of the course. Instruction in Basic Life Support includes anatomy and physiology, Coronary Artery Disease, risk factors for Heart Disease, Adult CPR, Pediatric CPR, Foreign-Body Airway Obstruction and proper use and maintenance of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs). Records of your course completion and certification will be stored within our Training Center files and you will be notified of needed re-certification training. On-line training options are also available through our Training Center.

Recertification Training is required every two years. This course is approximately three to four hours in length or less. This is a review of the initial training consisting of didactic and manipulative instruction and activity in CPR and AED use.

Annual refresher Training is recommended to maintain CPR/AED skills at their optimum proficiency. Current requirements for refresher training are based upon what is ac-

ceptable to the Medical Director that provides the medical oversight for your program. A wide variety of options are available. Arrangements can be made to suit your needs. Speak with a San Diego Project Heart Beat team member to discuss options.

Phase II (Pad Program Management)

Physician Medical Oversight (mandatory) is essential to ensure a safe and effective Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) program. The United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved AEDs for public use with a physician's prescription. The role of the physician is to be responsible for all medical control aspects of the program, ensure that rescuers are properly trained and their skills maintained, establish and review procedures and maintain a relationship between the PAD site and the local emergency medical services (EMS) agency.

To have a clear understanding of the training and management services agreed upon between the PAD program site and San Diego Project Heart Beat (SDPHB) PAD program personnel, a Service Level Agreement (SLA) will be drawn and signed by the two entities involved.

Twenty-four hour AED emergency contact service will be offered through the SLA when the need arises for any situation

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of concern with the AED unit, and, of course, in the case of an AED deployment.

Record keeping consists of all program and AED maintenance, training, and incident reports and data collection in need of maintenance for PAD program quality assurance purposes. The records for your program will be kept and managed through hardcopy files of San Diego Project Heart Beat and through our online data management system.

Phase III (PAD Program Incident Management)

On-site downloading of data collected from your AED unit after a deployment is essential for PAD program quality assurance management. This information will aid in the processing and filing of the required reports at the time of an incident. A copy of this information will be kept within our incident record collection files.

Replacement of the AED electrodes will be necessary should an incident occur when the packaging of these electrodes is opened. The electrodes are for one time use only and are coated with a gel that becomes ineffective after being exposed to the air.

There are reports that must be filed with the County of San Diego and the Medical Director for the program within 48

hours should an incident occur. A San Diego Project Heart Beat designated associate will complete the processing and filing of these reports. The reports are:

- San Diego Project Heart Beat Incident Report
- EKG Data report from the AED
- Company Information Report (if desired)
- Fire Department/Medic report (if applicable)

Critical Incident Stress Debriefing (CISD) is not a requirement for your PAD program but is offered from highly skilled and trained personnel to conduct a counseling session for rescuers and others involved in a stressful incident situation. This service is highly recommended for all rescuers and individuals involved who is not use to dealing with these types of situations. The counseling sessions help those involved with the incident to understand and process their feelings from their experience. The session most commonly will last anywhere between one to two hours depending on the amount of people in attendance and the incident itself. This service is provided inclusively under our Incident Management services.

MANDATORY for all purposes throughout this summarization, relates to quality assurance and the protection of your PAD program in order to be compliant with the requirements of the current state law that governs the use and placement of AEDs.

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