

Automated External Defibrillator Training

601.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish the training requirements for members to maintain the current and valid certificate that is required to utilize an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) (22 CCR 100017 et seq.).

601.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

Automated External Defibrillator (AED) - An external defibrillator capable of cardiac rhythm analysis that will charge and deliver a shock either automatically or by user interaction after electronically detecting and assessing ventricular fibrillation or rapid ventricular tachycardia (22 CCR 100005).

Public Safety AED Service Provider - An agency or organization that is responsible for, and is approved to operate, an AED (22 CCR 100006).

601.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Fresno County Fire Protection District that all members whose duties include the use of an AED shall receive training and recertification training to maintain the current and valid certificate that is required to utilize an AED.

601.3 GUIDELINES

AED training shall be included in the initial first aid and CPR course and comply with the training standards set forth in 22 CCR 100017.

In order to be authorized to utilize the defibrillator, an individual shall pass a written and skills examination with a pre-established standard. The skills test measures the ability to evaluate and manage the conditions presented during incidents where an AED may be used.

All AED training provided by the District shall be approved and monitored by the District EMS authority, which shall also approve any written and skills examinations required for course completion. It shall also approve AED instructors and designate Public Safety AED Service Providers.

601.4 TRAINING RECORDS

The Training Chief shall be responsible for maintaining records of all AED training provided to members. Records should include, but are not limited to:

- (a) The dates of the training sessions.
- (b) A list of the topics or a summary of the content of the training sessions.
- (c) The names or other identifiers and job titles of the members who received the training.

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- (d) The names, certificate numbers and qualifications of the persons conducting the training.

The Training Chief should maintain the training records in accordance with established records retention schedules.