MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Automated External Defibrillators

The Board authorizes the use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) at sites designated by the Superintendent for use only by authorized personnel who have successfully completed training in the use of AEDs.

The superintendent or designee shall develop guidelines for employees regarding the use of these devices and shall ensure that employees receive training on proper use and handling. The guidelines shall also specify the placement, security, and maintenance of the AED.

District Operations Office approval and coordination is required prior to acquisition of an AED.

The authorization of AEDs in district schools shall not be deemed to create a guarantee or obligation to use the AED in case of an emergency nor any expectation that an AED-trained employee will be present and/or able to use an AED in an emergency nor any expectation that the AED will operate properly.

The Board believes that staff members should not be placed in the position of determining whether or not to follow any parental or medical “do not resuscitate” orders. Staff shall not accept or follow any such orders unless they have been informed by the Superintendent or designee that the request to accept such an order has been submitted to the Superintendent or designee, signed by the parent/guardian, and supported by a written statement from the student’s physician and an order from an appropriate court.

Cross Reference
cf. 3418 Emergency Treatment

Legal Reference
RCW 70.54.310 Semiautomatic external defibrillator – Duty of acquirer – Immunity from civil liability

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