

Emergency Response Plan for AED Use

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Location

Our AED is located _____.

For Emergency at Our Location

When you witness a cardiac arrest, notify 911 immediately. If you are alone, make the call yourself. If someone else is available, send them to call Central Dispatch at 911. Follow the steps for AED use as outlined below.

For Emergency at a Nearby Location

When the Community AED Registry system is activated, your responders will receive an automatic call from Central Dispatch that the AED should be taken to the location of the victim. If available a CPR/AED certified responder will take the AED to the specified location. If no one who is certified is available, someone else will deliver it. Hopefully, a First Responder will be at the scene who knows how to use an AED.

Use of the AED

The following are steps for use of the AED and will be posted with the AED unit.

1. Activate the EMS system (call 911) if not already activated.
2. Establish that victim is unresponsiveness and not breathing.
3. Turn on AED and follow verbal commands.
4. Place defibrillation pads exactly as shown on the pads (Note if the patient has an implanted pacemaker, place the pads several inches from the pacing generator.)
5. Ensure that no one is touching the patient and deliver shock.
6. Do 2 minutes of CPR.
7. Follow the verbal commands of the AED. Continue providing care until EMS arrives..

Following the Use of the AED

Contact Heart Safe La Plata at 382-6039. They will pick up the AED, download the recorded information, and return the AED ready for use.

Training

Our organization requires the following training:

- a. Initial CPR/AED training must be provided by a Nationally-recognized training institution including American Heart Association, American Health & Safety Institute, American Red Cross, or National Safety Council.
- b. Lay responders must attend the complete CPR/AED certification class once every two years. An annual review is highly recommended.

Maintenance

1. Our staff member who will assume responsibility for AED maintenance and repair is _____.
2. The AED shall be checked for readiness at least once every 30 days and the records of these periodic checks will be submitted to Heart Safe La Plata.
3. Pads will be replaced prior to their expiration date. Contact Heart Safe La Plata for replacements.
4. Batteries will be replaced when indicated. Contact Heart Safe La Plata for replacements.