


<b>CHAPTER</b> Health/Medical	<b>CHAPTER</b> 03	<b>SECTION</b> 002	<b>SUBJECT</b> 10
<b>SECTION</b> Health Care		<b>DESCRIPTION</b> Automated External Defibrillators	
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**APPLICATION:**

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<input type="checkbox"/> Employment Services Provider Agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent Contractors	<input type="checkbox"/> Students	<input type="checkbox"/> Interns
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**POLICY:**

Lapeer County Community Mental Health (LCCMH) has Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) located throughout each building. AED training is provided as part of the CPR/First Aid curriculum.

**STANDARDS:**

- A. An AED is used when a person is unconscious with no detectable pulse or breathing.
  - 1. While in use, the AED machine will deliver verbal prompts for what to do. The machine will not deliver a shock if it is not needed.
  - 2. If the AED indicates “no shock advised”, check the victim’s pulse. If no pulse, immediately start CPR, beginning with compressions.
- B. Staff are not expected to use the machines if they have not had training in how to use the AED.
- C. AEDs should not be used on a child under the age of one.

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D. AEDs are located in the day program at Maple Grove, Autism/Children’s Program at Maple Grove, in the main lobby of Harmony Hall, and at the LCCMH Main Building North End, outpatient therapy wing, and the administrative wing.

1. AED Signs are placed in the hallways above the location of the devices.

2. There are staff trained in each area where AEDs are available.

**PROCEDURES:**

A. If a person is found unconscious immediately call 911 and call a “Code Blue” according to the Emergency All Hazards Response Plan.

B. While waiting for emergency medical personnel to arrive, an agency AED device can be used by trained staff.

C. The chest area will need to be exposed for placement of the delivery system or “pads”. An earnest effort should be made to protect the victim’s privacy.

D. Various precautions, as outlined in the CPR/AED and First Aid training materials, should be heeded.

E. The most important thing to remember is to stay clear of the victim when the AED is analyzing or delivering a shock to the heart.

F. AED maintenance, including battery checks and replacement, is the responsibility of the Health and Safety Committee.

**DEFINITION:**

**Automated External Defibrillator (AED):** A life saving device that is able to analyze the heart rhythm and deliver a shock to a victim of sudden cardiac arrest if needed. This shock may help the heart to reestablish an effective rhythm.

**REFERNECE:**

LCCMH Emergency All Hazards Response Plan

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