

St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church AED Program Protocol

I. PURPOSE

Establishes an action plan for responding to a medical emergency during church hours.

II. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Emergency Response Team members are expected to provide emergency care to a patient and will be trained in CPR and AED use. This training will conform to the American Heart Association (AHA) Heartsaver AED standards or other equivalent training organizations and American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI) standards.

III. DESIGNATED EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Leslie Scheffel, staff

Andrew Crowley, member

Susan Crowley, member

Sue Campbell, member

Emergency Response Team members at St. Hugh have completed a state-approved training course for CPR/AED training.

IV. EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE PLAN ACTIVATION

Internal Notification – Once notified of an emergency, parishioners will notify the emergency response team members in the building.

911 Notification – Once notified of an emergency, emergency response team members will call, or designate someone to call, 911 to initiate public safety agencies. The caller should give the 911 operators the following information:

1. Type of emergency
2. Address of the church: 36W957 Highland Avenue, Elgin
3. Location of the emergency
4. Phone number they are calling from
5. Further information requested by the 911 operator

V. TYPE OF MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Sudden Cardiac Arrest – Follow “Indications for AED Use” in sections VI and VII of this plan.

Other Medical Emergency – Responder should provide only the patient care that is consistent with his/her training.

VI. INDICATIONS FOR AED USE

The AED is intended to be used by personnel who have been trained in its operation. The user should be qualified by training in basic life support or other physician-authorized emergency medical response. **The device is indicated for emergency treatment of victims exhibiting symptoms of sudden cardiac arrest who are unresponsive and not breathing.** Post-resuscitation, if the victim is breathing, the AED should be left attached to allow for acquisition and detection of the ECG rhythm. If a shockable ventricular tachyarrhythmia recurs. The device will charge automatically and advise the operator to deliver therapy.

***Apply the AED if person is unresponsive and not breathing.**

VII. PROCEDURE

- A. Assess scene safety.
Is the scene free of hazards? Rescuer makes sure there are no hazards to them. Examples: electrical, chemical, harmful people, traffic, or fire dangers.
- B. Determine if the patient is unresponsive and not breathing.
Apply the AED if person is unresponsive and not breathing.
- C. Follow the instructions for use of your particular device.

VIII. POST INCIDENT PROCEDURE

These steps should be completed as soon after the incident as possible:

- Replace pads.
- Check expiration date on the pad package.
- Replace pocket mask and other supplies used.
- Check the battery fuel gauge to assure sufficient battery life.
- Retrieve rescue date (if applicable).

IX. BASIC MAINTENANCE

Follow the AED manufacturer's guidelines for scheduled maintenance.

X. AED USE REPORTING

The form on the following page should be completed each time your AED is used in a rescue.

AED Use Incident Report

Date _____ Incident # _____

Patient Information: Name _____

Address _____

Age _____ Gender _____

Site of Incident _____

Witnessed arrest	yes	no
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Breathing upon arrival of designated responders	yes	no
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Pulse upon arrival of designated responders	yes	no
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Bystander CPR	yes	no
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Cardiac arrest after arrival	yes	no
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Number of defibrillation shocks _____

Comments _____

Rescuer's Name _____

Rescuer's Signature _____