Greater Essex County District School Board

Policy: Automated External Defibrillators (“AEDs”) in Schools

Reference No: P-BA-32

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1. Purchase or Donation of AED

All costs of purchase of the AED must be funded through donations and/or fundraising activities by the community.

All funds donated or raised must follow the Charitable Donations Policy/Regulation/ Administrative Procedure BA-03 and/or School Fund Accounting Administrative Procedure AP-BA-13.

All donated AEDs must conform to Board defined specifications.

2. Liability

Both the Good Samaritan Act and Ontario Regulation 1101 (First Aid Regulation) protects people who voluntarily perform CPR or offer first aid assistance in an emergency.

Chase McEachern Act (Heart Defibrillator Civil Liability Act) 2007, protects users of AEDs from liability for damages that may occur and protects the owners/occupiers of the buildings where AEDs are installed from liability for damages. This Act also holds owners of AEDs accountable for maintaining them in good working order.