

## **AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATION**

Champlain Valley Educational Services has instituted a Public Access Defibrillation Program (PAD Program) in order to enhance the safety of the students, staff and visitors to our various campuses. The Policy is designed to assure that the volunteer personnel who operate Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are properly trained, that all AED equipment is maintained in good operating condition, and that all New York State Laws, rules and regulations applicable to the program are strictly adhered to at Champlain Valley Educational Services.

In an effort to comply with this policy, CVES shall establish protocols and procedures regarding the use of AED. Such procedures shall include, but not be limited to, the following components:

1. Persons providing PAD be properly trained and certified, as required by law;
2. the rapid arrival of EMS; therefore 911 and/or the community equivalent ambulance dispatch entity will be called immediately when the AED is used;
3. ready identification of the location of the AED units;
4. AED's are in a state of readiness at all times, therefore all regular maintenance and checkout procedures of the AED will meet or exceed the manufacture's recommendations; and
5. appropriateness in providing PAD, therefore we will participate in the required Quality Improvement program as determined by the Regional Emergency Medical Service Council (REMSCO).

Pursuant to Public Health Law Sections 3000-a and 3000-b, CVES, (as a public access defibrillation provider), or any employee or other agent of CVES who, in accordance with the provisions of law, voluntarily and without expectation of monetary compensation renders emergency medical or first aid treatment using an AED to a person who is unconscious, ill, or injured, shall not be liable for damages for injury or death unless caused by gross negligence.