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Cardiac Emergency Response Plan

Resources

A Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (CERP) is a written document that establishes the specific steps to reduce death from cardiac arrest in any setting – be it a school, community organization, workplace, or sports facility. The following resources support the [CERP Guidance](#) for schools, sports facilities, and community organizations or workplaces.

Please visit [Project Adam](#) and [Parent Heart Watch](#) for more resources related to Cardiac Emergency Response Plans.

Developing a Cardiac Emergency Response Team (CERT)

- [Developing Cardiac Emergency Response Team](#)
- [CERP Team Roster](#)

Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) – Placement, Installation and Maintenance

- [AED Monthly Monitoring](#)
- [Building and AED Location Information and Maps](#)

Please visit www.heart.org/AED for additional resources related to AED Implementation, such as the following:

- AED Fact Sheet Dec 2023
- What is An AED Flyer Dec 2023
- AED Guide Combined
- AED Program Checklist
- AED PAD Program Q&A
- AED Statistics in English and in Spanish

Communication of CERP

- [Simplified Adult Basic Life Support](#)

Training in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and AED Use

- Learn about the difference between CPR Training and Hands-Only CPR by reviewing the [CPR Guide at heart.org](#).
- Visit www.heart.org/cpr to learn about CPR training and certification from the American Heart Association through online or in-person classes.
- Visit www.heart.org/handsonlycpr for educational resources about sudden cardiac arrest and Hands-Only CPR.

Local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Integration with the School Plan

Creating or strengthening partnerships with local emergency medical services will enhance all areas of your organization's preparation and response to an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest. If you are not familiar with your local emergency response system, you can start by contacting your closest fire department or local public health department.

Conduct Practice Drills

Please refer to the CERP Drill and Evaluation template for [community organizations](#).

Activation of Cardiac Emergency Response Team During an Identified Cardiac Emergency

- [Cardiac Emergency Response Protocol](#)
- [Simplified Adult Basic Life Support](#)

Annual Review and Evaluation of the Plan

- [Annual CERP Evaluation](#)
- [Annual Post Event Review](#)
- [Annual Review of Drills](#)