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SCHOOLS:

AED Placement

California Education Code -- § 49417 – Acquisition and Maintenance of Automated External Defibrillators

- *States that a public schools may solicit and receive nonstate funds to acquire and maintain an AED.*

CPR/AED Training for staff and/or Cardiac Emergency Response Plans (CERP) and/or Emergency Action Plans (EAP)

California Health and Safety Code –§ 1797.196 – AED program requirements

- *Specifies that school administrators and staff annually receive training about sudden cardiac arrest, the school emergency response plan, location of AEDs and how to use an AED. Instructions for AED use must be posted next to AED.*
- *When AED is placed in a school serving grades 6 to 12, the principal shall notify the students of locations of AEDs annually*

YOUTH SPORTS GROUPS:

AED Placement

California Education Code –§ 35179.6

- *Includes guidelines for acquiring at least one AED for each school within a school district or charter school who elect to offer interscholastic athletic programs. Must also be made available to athletic trainers and coaches. Encourages school to ensure that the AED is available within a recommended 3-5 minutes of sudden cardiac arrest. Outlines maintenance of AED as set forth by manufacturer.*

CPR/AED Training for coaches and/or Cardiac Emergency Response Plans (CERP) and/or Emergency Action Plans (EAP)

California Education Code –§ 35179.4 -Emergency Action Plan Required for Interscholastic Athletic Programs

- *Includes guidelines for ensuring that there is a written emergency action plan in place for schools who elect to offer any interscholastic athletic programs. The written emergency action plan shall be posted in compliance with the most recent guidelines of the National Federation of State High School Associations*

California Health and Safety Code –§ 124238 – Youth Sports Organization Access to Automated External Defibrillator

- *Starting January 1st, 2027, youth sports organizations shall ensure coaches are certified in CPR. There should be a written Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (CERP) in place that includes annual review, location of AEDs, responsibilities of coaches and athletes during an event, and how to communicate with parents regarding CERP.*
- *Starting January 1st, 2028, youth sports organization shall ensure that an AED is accessible during practices or games. AED should be maintained and tested according to standards.*

GOOD SAMARITAN LAWS:

California Civil Code –§ 1714.2 – Immunity for Rendering CPR at Scene of Emergency

- *Outlines immunity for persons or local agencies who are providing training*

California Civil Code –§ 1714.21 – Immunity for Rendering Emergency Care or Treatment by Use of AED at Scene of Emergency

- *Uses key verbiage to describe persons or entities that are not liable for civil damages*
 - *when rendering emergency care, when providing CPR and AED training to persons who render emergency care, when acquiring an AED for emergency use, and when providing medical oversight for selection, placement or installation of an AED*

