

# VIRGINIA

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## **SCHOOLS:**

### **AED Placement**

**Virginia Code -- § 22.1-274.4** – Public elementary and secondary schools; automated external defibrillators required

- *Each local school board shall develop a plan for the placement, care and use of an automated external defibrillator in every public and secondary school*

**Virginia Code -- § 22.1-271.9** – Cardiac emergency response or emergency action plans required.

- *Placement of AEDs will be determined in accordance with guidelines set by organizations focused on emergency cardiac care. They must be placed at each venue where school-sponsored athletic practices or competitions are held and be clearly marked and accessible*

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

**Virginia Code -- § 22.1-271.9** – Cardiac emergency response or emergency action plans required.

- *States that each public elementary or secondary school develop and implement a cardiac emergency response plan or an athletic emergency action plan that addresses appropriate use of personnel to respond to incidents while on school grounds or while attending or participating in an athletic practice or event. Each CERP or athletic EAP must integrate core elements such as establishing a cardiac emergency response team, how to activate the response team, practicing annually through drills, placing and maintaining AEDs and ensuring training of appropriate staff.*

## **YOUTH SPORTS GROUPS:**

### **AED Placement**

Review **Virginia Code -- § 22.1-271.9** if utilizing school grounds – Cardiac emergency response or emergency action plans required.



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

Review **Virginia Code -- § 22.1-271.9** if utilizing school grounds – Cardiac emergency response or emergency action plans required.

**GOOD SAMARITAN LAWS:**

**Virginia Code, § 8.01-225.** Persons rendering emergency care, obstetrical services exempt from liability.

- *Uses key verbiage to describe liability for any civil damages for persons rendering emergency care, including the use of an AED. Includes:*
  - *While rendering care at the scene of a fire, an accident or while transporting persons to and from any hospital, clinic, doctor's office, or other medical facility*
  - *While training individuals or ordering AEDs*
  - *While maintaining AEDs on property owned or controlled by such person*
  - *While being an employee of a school board or local health department*

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