

LAKE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION  
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Defibrillator Deployment throughout LCOE facilities

**ISSUE**

The County Board of Education will discuss next steps for deployment of defibrillators throughout LCOE owned facilities.

**PREVIOUS ACTIVITY**

N/A

**DISCUSSION**

The deployment of Automated External Defibrillators (AED) in public facilities has become common place. The American Heart Association and the California State Parent Teacher Association promote the deployment of AEDs on school sites. California Law provides immunity from liability for any person, who in good faith, and not for compensation, renders emergency care using an AED at the scene of an emergency.

However, stringent requirements for maintenance and training need to be addressed, and a plan for monitoring established. Since LCOE has a small staff with no nurse, staff will need to rely on local experts outside the agency for support. Lakeshore Fire Department has indicated that they would assist as needed.

**FISCAL, STAFFING AND FACILITIES ISSUES**

Each device comes with an initial cost of between \$1,300 and \$2,500. There may be grant funding available to support the purchase of AEDs through local fire departments. Ongoing maintenance and training costs have yet to be determined.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Discussion item.

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