

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 3, 2007

TO: All San Luis Obispo County Advanced Life Support / BLS Providers
All San Luis Obispo County Hospitals

FROM: Bob Neumann
Executive Director

Thomas Ronay, MD
Medical Director

RE: Pediatric AED Status

The EMS Agency Clinical Advisory Committee has evaluated the most recent Pediatric AED guidelines and position papers and would like to advise all EMS providers of the upcoming changes.

When providers purchase new AED equipment and personnel have been trained in the new format for CPR, they should anticipate the need to upgrade to the new American Heart Association AED Guideline for pediatric patients.

Furthermore, when the new AED equipment and training become available, providers may utilize the following for children 1 to 8 years of age:

- The pediatric dose-attenuator, if one is available.
- If the pediatric dose-attenuator is not available to them, the standard AED may be used.

Providers should update the EMS Agency regarding the status of their current AED capabilities and as changes occur.

Please call Dr. Ronay at 546-8728, extension 2, if you have any questions. Thank you.