

SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS **7232**
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PURPOSE **7232.1**
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This policy section outlines the roles and responsibilities regarding Automated External Defibrillator Service Providers (AEDSPs).

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is an AEDSP and a Public Safety AEDSP. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program provides policy and procedures for the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Program in accordance with the California Code of Regulations (CCR).

Approving Authority

CAL FIRE has AED service provider approval from the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA). Regions/Units/Programs are additionally required to follow the AED policies of the Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA) in their geographical areas.

AUTHORITY **7232.2**
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- California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

RELATED POLICIES **7232.3**
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- 1800 CAL FIRE Health and Fitness Handbook
- 4000 CAL FIRE Training Handbook
- 4300 CAL FIRE Fire Protection Training Handbook
- 8500 CAL FIRE Cooperative Fire Services Handbook

RESPONSIBILITIES **7232.4**
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Unit/Program AED Coordinator

- Acts as liaison to the LEMSA to ensure compliance with local policies
- Maintains inventory and coordinates repairs of Unit/Program AEDs
- Ensures all incidents of AED use are properly documented and data retrieval is completed
- Completes the [Public Safety Automated External Defibrillator Annual Use Form \(EMS-712\)](#) and submit copy to EMS Program

- Reviews all AED patient care reports as a component of CQI
- Coordinates with EMS Clinical Coordinator for all AEDSP related reports
- Compiles documentation and submits all required reports to LEMSA and EMS Program

Unit Chief/Program Manager

- Assigns a Unit/Program AEDSP Coordinator
- Establishes local procedures for AED documentation and reporting to Unit/Program AED Coordinator
- Coordinates with other cooperating agencies regarding the use of AEDs

EMS Clinical Coordinator

- Maintains AEDSP Program
- Implements the CAL FIRE AED Program in coordination with the Regions/Units/Programs, EMSA, and LEMSAs
- Develops AED Program policy and procedures
- Compiles documentation and submits all required reports
- Performs Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) to ensure continued AEDSP compliance

EMS Pre-Hospital Specialist

- Provides direction to the AED Program and AEDSPs through training, protocols and field care compliance reviews as directed
- Reviews all cases and reports of AED use by CAL FIRE personnel as directed

EMS Program Manager

- Provides oversight for all CAL FIRE AEDSPs
- Provides oversight regarding AED use by CAL FIRE personnel
- Directs EMS staff to ensure requirements of AEDSPs are maintained
- Coordinates with Unit/Program staff as needed

EMS Program Chief

- Provides oversight regarding CAL FIRE AEDSPs and AED use

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