

1 **8450 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS**

2 Automated External Defibrillators (AED)

3 The Board of Trustees of the Great Falls Public School District recognizes that from time to time
4 emergencies may arise that justify the use of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). One or more of
5 these units has been installed at each school for use by qualified personnel.

6 **The Board of Trustees approves the use of AED units, subject to the following conditions:**

7 1. The superintendent is hereby requested to establish a program for the use of automated external
8 defibrillators (AEDs) that includes a written plan that specifies:

- 9 • Where the AED will be placed;• The individuals who are authorized to operate the AED;
- 10 • How AED use will be coordinated with an emergency medical service providing services
11 in the area where the AED is located;• The medical supervision that will be provided;
- 12 • The maintenance that will be performed on the AED;• Records that will be kept by the
13 program;
- 14 • Reports that will be made of AED use;
- 15 • The name, location, and telephone number of a Medical Supervisor designated to provide
16 medical supervision of the AED program; and
- 17 • Other matters as specified by the Department of Public Health and Human Services
18 (DPHHS);

19 2. Adhere to the written plan required by Subsection 1;

20 3. Ensure that before using the AED, an individual authorized to operate the AED receives
21 appropriate training approved by the DPHHS in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the proper use
22 of an AED;

23 4. Maintain, test, and operate the AED according to the manufacturer’s guidelines and maintain
24 written records of all maintenance and testing performed on the AED;

25 5. Ensure that the physician or other individual designated by the physician to supervise the AED
26 program supervises the AED program to ensure compliance with the written plan, this policy, and
27 rules adopted by the District and reviews each case in which the AED is used;

28 6. Each time an AED is used for an individual in cardiac arrest, require that an emergency medical
29 service is summoned to provide assistance as soon as possible and that the AED use is reported
30 to the supervising physician or the person designated by the physician and to the District as
31 required by the written plan;

32 7. Before allowing any use of an AED, provide the following to all licensed emergency services and
33 any public safety answering point or emergency dispatch center providing services to the area
34 where the AED is located:

- 35 a. A copy of the plan as required by Subsection 1; and

1 b. Written notice, in a format prescribed by the DPHHS rules, stating:

2 i. That an AED program has been established by the District;

3 ii. Where the AED is located; and

4 iii. How the use of the AED is to be coordinated with the local emergency medical
5 service system.

6 **Liability Limitations – §50-6-505, MCA**

7 An individual who provides emergency care or treatment by using an AED in compliance with this policy
8 and an individual providing cardiopulmonary resuscitation to an individual upon whom an AED is or may
9 be used are immune from civil liability for a personal injury that results from that care or treatment.

10 An individual who provides emergency care or treatment by using an AED in compliance with this policy
11 and an individual providing cardiopulmonary resuscitation to an individual upon whom an AED is or may
12 be used are immune from civil liability as a result of any act or failure to act in providing or arranging
13 further medical treatment for the individual upon whom the AED was used, unless the individual using
14 the AED or the person providing CPR, as applicable, acts with gross negligence or with willful or wanton
15 disregard for the care of the person upon whom the AED is or may be used.

16 The following individuals or entities are immune from civil liability for any personal injury that results from
17 an act or omission that does not amount to willful or wanton misconduct or gross negligence, if applicable
18 provisions of this part have been met by the individual or entity:

19 a. A person providing medical oversight of the AED program, as designated in the plan;

20 b. The entity responsible for the AED program, as designated in the plan;

21 c. An individual providing training to others on the use of an AED.

22 **Legal Reference:**

23 Title 37, Chapter 104, subchapter 6, ARM – Automated External Defibrillators (AED)

24 §50-6-501, MCA Definitions

25 §50-6-502, MCA AED program – requirements for AED use

26 §50-6-503, MCA Rulemaking

27 §50-6-505, MCA Liability limitations

28 §27-1-714, MCA Montana Good Samaritan Law

29 **Policy History:**

30 Adopted on: February 23, 2012

31 Reviewed on:

32 Revised on: