

REFERENCE TITLE: CPR training; teachers; students

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Introduced by
Representative Gress

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 15-120.04; AMENDING SECTION 15-718.01, ARIZONA REVISED
STATUTES; RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 15, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 15-120.04, to read:

4 15-120.04. Training on cardiopulmonary resuscitation; school
5 employees

6 A. EACH SCHOOL THAT IS OPERATED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT AND EACH
7 CHARTER SCHOOL MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE EMPLOYEE WHO HAS A VALID
8 CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION CERTIFICATION.

9 B. EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CHARTER SCHOOL SHALL ANNUALLY PROVIDE
10 ALL SCHOOL PERSONNEL WITH ONE OR MORE TRAINING SESSIONS IN CARDIOPULMONARY
11 RESUSCITATION THAT MEET BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING:

12 1. ARE BASED ON THE MOST CURRENT NATIONAL EVIDENCE-BASED EMERGENCY
13 CARDIOVASCULAR CARE GUIDELINES FOR CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION.

14 2. INCLUDE HANDS-ON PRACTICING OF CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION.

15 C. TRAINING PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION THAT RESULTS
16 IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION CERTIFICATION MUST BE PROVIDED BY A
17 CERTIFIED CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION TRAINER. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT
18 REQUIRE A TEACHER OR ADMINISTRATOR WHO FACILITATES, PROVIDES OR OVERSEES
19 THE TRAINING TO BE AN AUTHORIZED TRAINER OF CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION
20 IF THE TRAINING DOES NOT RESULT IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION
21 CERTIFICATION.

22 D. A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CHARTER SCHOOL MAY ACCEPT FROM ANY PERSON,
23 PUBLIC ENTITY OR OTHER LEGAL ENTITY IN-KIND DONATIONS OF MATERIALS,
24 EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES THAT MAY BE USED IN THE CARDIOPULMONARY
25 RESUSCITATION TRAINING REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION.

26 E. TRAINING PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION MAY BE
27 PROVIDED BY EITHER:

28 1. A SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WHO HAS A VALID CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION
29 CERTIFICATION.

30 2. ANY OF THE PROVIDERS IDENTIFIED IN SECTION 15-718.01,
31 SUBSECTION F.

32 Sec. 2. Section 15-718.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
33 read:

34 15-718.01. Instruction on cardiopulmonary resuscitation;
35 exemptions; definition

36 A. ~~On or before July 1, 2019,~~ School districts and charter schools
37 shall provide ~~public school~~ pupils with ~~one or more~~ training sessions in
38 cardiopulmonary resuscitation, through the use of psychomotor skills in an
39 age-appropriate manner, ~~during high school~~. SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

40 1. ~~This~~ THE training ~~shall~~ MUST be based on the most current
41 national evidence-based emergency cardiovascular care guidelines for
42 cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

43 2. THE TRAINING MUST BE PROVIDED:

44 (a) ANNUALLY TO PUPILS DURING HIGH SCHOOL.

1 (b) AT LEAST ONCE TO PUPILS DURING MIDDLE SCHOOL OR JUNIOR HIGH
2 SCHOOL.

3 3. A school district or charter school may assign homework to
4 satisfy the requirements of ~~this subsection and subsections B and E of~~
5 this section, if the completion of the homework is verified by a teacher
6 or parent.

7 B. School district or charter school instruction that results in
8 cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification must be provided by a
9 certified cardiopulmonary resuscitation trainer. This subsection does not
10 require a teacher or administrator who facilitates, provides or oversees
11 the instruction to be an authorized trainer of cardiopulmonary
12 resuscitation if the instruction does not result in cardiopulmonary
13 resuscitation certification.

14 C. The instruction provided under subsection A of this section must
15 include the hands-on practicing of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, except
16 for students who are enrolled in an online school as defined in section
17 15-808.

18 D. A pupil shall be excused from the instruction on cardiopulmonary
19 resuscitation at the request of either:

20 1. The pupil's parent.

21 2. A pupil who provides written documentation that the pupil has
22 previously received training in or is currently certified in
23 cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

24 3. If the pupil is a child with a disability as defined in section
25 15-731, the pupil's individualized education program team if the
26 individualized education program team makes a determination to excuse the
27 pupil from the instruction.

28 E. A school district or charter school may accept from any person,
29 public entity or other legal entity in-kind donations of materials,
30 equipment or services that may be used in the instruction on
31 cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

32 F. A school district or charter school may use any of the following
33 persons to provide instruction and training pursuant to this section:

34 1. Emergency medical technicians.

35 2. Paramedics.

36 3. Fire department personnel.

37 4. Police officers.

38 5. Representatives of the American heart association.

39 6. Representatives of the American red cross.

40 7. Teachers.

41 8. Other school employees.

42 9. Other similarly qualified persons.

43 G. For the purposes of this section, "psychomotor skills" means
44 sequences of physical actions that are practiced in a manner that supports
45 cognitive learning.