

TITLE 126
LEGISLATIVE RULE
WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION
CHAPTER 18-2
SERIES 2422.13

Title: Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Instruction

Section 1. General

1.1 Scope - This procedural rule established a time frame and the conditions under which county boards of education would implement and make available cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction programs to all students prior to high school graduation. It specifies that cardiopulmonary resuscitation techniques be included in physical education and health learner outcomes.

1.2 Authority - West Virginia Code 18-2-7

1.3 Filing Date - December 27, 1982

1.4 Effective Date - February 27, 1983

1.5 Repeal of Former Rule - None

Section 2. Applicability

WHEREAS, The West Virginia Board of Education recognizes that heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, and West Virginia is first among all states in the proportion of its citizens who are heart disease victims; and

WHEREAS, The West Virginia Board of Education recognizes that heart disease is a major health problem in West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Cardiopulmonary resuscitation techniques have been developed and refined in the past several years; and

WHEREAS, Such techniques have resulted in the widespread saving of human lives by those familiar with and trained in such techniques; and

WHEREAS, Voluntary organizations such as the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, and other West Virginia affiliates and organizations offering the voluntary help of certified instructor-trainers; and

WHEREAS, There is an obvious need and value for more citizens of the state to become familiar with and receive training in such techniques in order to prevent the unnecessary loss of human lives in this state and elsewhere;

Section 3. Resolution

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT, Beginning with the school year 1979-80, and provided voluntary agency certified trainers are available, county boards of education are encouraged to provide the necessary training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction to high school seniors where and when possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, The West Virginia Department of Education, working with county continuing education councils, regional education service agencies, and appropriate voluntary organizations pursue a plan for implementing cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction for students, grades eight through twelve.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Cardiopulmonary resuscitation instructional techniques be included in the essential competencies and learner outcomes being developed in physical education and health education, so that by school year 1980-81 that cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction be available for all students prior to high school graduation.
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Section 4. Disposition

All students are required to complete one unit of physical education and one unit of health prior to graduation.

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