ABCs, 1-2-3s AND



Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is a prevalent issue in schools:



7,037

The number of children under 18 who die from cardiac arrest each year.1



The number of high schools in the U.S. that will have an SCA event annually.2

Sudden cardiac arrest and physical activity may be linked:

Of SCA deaths in children, two-thirds occur during physical activity.3



SCA is the leading cause of death in young athletes.4



Young athletes are more than twice as likely to experience sudden cardiac death than young non-athletes.4



Automated external defibrillators (AEDs) can limit the impact of SCA:

The number of minutes a first responder should aim to return to a victim with an AED.5

The amount by which SCA survival decreases every minute until a shock is applied.6

70%

The hospital survival rate of students who suffer cardiac arrest in a school with an AED, compared with only about 8% in the overall population of school-age children.7

Never be afraid to help someone experiencing sudden cardiac arrest:



The number of states with Good Samaritan laws in place to protect bystanders who use an AED to resuscitate an SCA victim.8



The number of hours of AED training people are required to complete.





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