Automated External Defibrillator (AED) checklist

Consider the following when implementing an effective AED program for your organisation:



- Location: Nominate an accessible location specific for your organisation, e.g. first aid station, reception desk, entrance hallway
- **▼ Visible**: AED must be visible to all users and visitors
- Ready to use: Battery & electrode pads must always be inserted
- **▼ Communication**: Communicate AED placement to staff, volunteers, nearby premises, larger community, etc.
- **Training**: Provide training for CPR and AED use, and ensure first aid qualifications of staff and volunteers are up to date
- **Signage**: Use internationally recognised green AED signage to communicate there is an AED at your premises
- Maintenance: Ensure unit is regularly monitored & maintained to manufacturer's recommendations. Appoint a responsible person(s) to take responsibility for the equipment.
- **Policies**: Ensure AED forms part of the operations of your premises, e.g. Fire Evacuation, First Aid response, risk assessments, training & induction programs.
- **▼ Response**: Consider and plan your organisation's response to a cardiac arrest event at your premises.
- ✓ Cross street: Ensure all staff know the physical street address and cross street of your premises, to provide to Triple Zero (000) operator.
- **Debrief**: Debrief with those who are involved in or witness a real life cardiac arrest.

