

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Education**

13-517.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Authorized facility" means an organization, business, association, or agency that meets the requirements of the EMS Board for providing automated external defibrillation.

(3) "Automated external defibrillator (AED)" means a medical heart monitor and defibrillator device that:

(i) Is cleared for market by the federal Food and Drug Administration;

(ii) Recognizes the presence or absence of ventricular fibrillation or rapid ventricular tachycardia;

(iii) Determines, without intervention by an operator, whether defibrillation should be performed;

(iv) On determining that defibrillation should be performed, automatically charges; and

(v) 1. Requires operator intervention to deliver the electrical impulse; or

2. Automatically continues with delivery of electrical impulse.

(4) "Certificate" means a certificate issued by the EMS Board to an authorized facility.

(5) "Facility" means an agency, association, corporation, firm, partnership, or other entity.

(6) "Jurisdictional emergency medical services operational program" means the institution, agency, corporation, or other entity that has been approved by the EMS Board to provide oversight of emergency medical services for each of the local government and State and federal emergency medical services programs.

(7) "REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR" MEANS THE INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYED BY THE INSTITUTE AS REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR IN EACH EMS REGION.

(8) "REGIONAL COUNCIL" MEANS AN EMS ADVISORY BODY AS CREATED BY THE CODE OF MARYLAND REGULATIONS 30.05.

(9) "REGIONAL COUNCIL AED COMMITTEE" MEANS A COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL CONSISTING OF:

(I) THE REGIONAL MEDICAL DIRECTOR;