



Safe Use of Defibrillators

Ensuring safe and effective use of defibrillators to save lives while minimizing risks for patients and healthcare staff

Defibrillators are medical devices that deliver an electric shock to the heart to restore a normal rhythm during life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias

Before Use

Check device readiness, including battery, pads, and routine maintenance

Ensure the patient's chest is dry and free from moisture

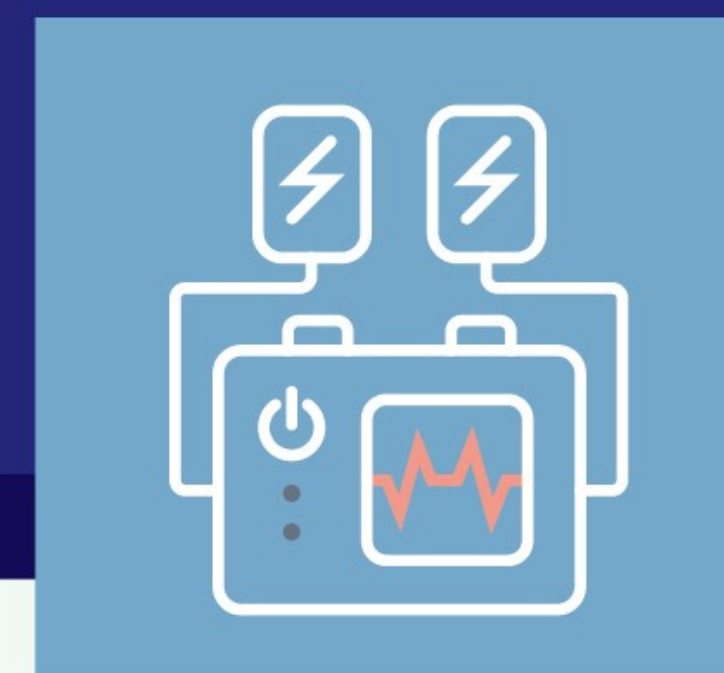
Confirm staff are properly trained

Verify that the User Manual are kept near the device

During Use

- Place pads correctly on the patient's chest
- Ensure no one is touching the patient during shock delivery
- Follow device instructions (especially AED voice prompts)

- Continue CPR between shocks



After Use

Clean and prepare the device for the next use

Assess patient condition and monitoring pulse and breathing

Document procedure details

Healthcare Facility Responsibilities

Maintain clear SOPs for usage, cleaning, and storage

Conduct ongoing staff training

Implement Preventive Maintenance (PPM)

Report incidents through the National Center for Medical Devices Reporting (NCMDR)

Ensure the User Manual is available near the device