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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025–26 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 310

Introduced by Assembly Member Alanis
(Coauthors: Senators Valladares and Weber Pierson)

January 23, 2025

An act to amend Section 124238.5 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to youth health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 310, as amended, Alanis. Nevaeh Youth Sports Safety Act.

Existing law, the Nevaeh Youth Sports Safety Act, requires a youth sports organization to ensure, by January 1, 2027, that its athletes have access to an automated external defibrillator (AED) during any practice or match. Existing law requires the AED to be administered by a medical professional or other certified and qualified person designated by a youth sports organization.

This bill would ~~instead~~ *delay the requirement to have access to an AED until January 1, 2028, would remove the requirement that it be administered by a medical professional, and would also* require, by January 1, ~~2028~~, 2027, a youth sports organization to ensure that its coaches are certified, as specified, to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation and to operate an AED. The bill would require, by January 1, ~~2028~~, 2027, a youth sports organization to have a written emergency response plan that includes certain information, including the location and procedures to be followed during a sudden cardiac event. The bill

would require, by January 1, 2028, a youth sports organization to properly maintain and test its AED, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 124238.5 of the Health and Safety Code
2 is amended to read:

3 124238.5. (a) Commencing January 1, 2028, a youth sports
4 organization that elects to offer an athletic program shall ensure
5 that its athletes have access to an automated external defibrillator
6 (AED) during any official practice or match, subject to subdivisions
7 (b) and (c).

8 (b) Commencing January 1, ~~2028~~, 2027, a youth sports
9 organization shall ensure that its coaches are certified, and
10 recertified at least every two years, to perform cardiopulmonary
11 resuscitation and operate an AED and that there is a written cardiac
12 emergency response plan. Certified training may be conducted in
13 person or online and shall be offered by an accredited ~~organization~~.
14 *organization, consistent with national evidence-based*
15 *cardiovascular care guidelines*. The written cardiac emergency
16 response plan shall be reviewed annually with coaches and staff.
17 The written emergency response plan shall be consistent with
18 nationally recognized, evidence-based standards and shall detail
19 all of the following:

20 (1) The location *of any AEDs* and procedures to be followed in
21 the event of sudden cardiac arrest.

22 (2) The responsibilities of the coach, administration, ~~athletes,~~
23 ~~and bystanders~~ *and athletes* during the event.

24 (3) How the coach, administration, ~~athletes, and bystanders~~ *and*
25 *athletes* will be notified and trained on the emergency response
26 plan.

27 (4) An annual electronic communication to the parents or
28 guardians of enrolled participants that includes *the cardiac*
29 *emergency response plan or an internet link to the plan*, the
30 location or locations of any ~~AEDs~~ *AEDs*, and identifies the staff
31 members designated to be notified in the event of a sudden cardiac
32 event.

1 ~~(5) An announcement before the start of any official match or~~
2 ~~event, excluding practices, made over the public address system~~
3 ~~that identifies the location or locations of any AEDs and the staff~~
4 ~~members designated to respond in the event of a sudden cardiac~~
5 ~~event. If a public address system is not available, a written notice~~
6 ~~identifying the location or locations of any AEDs and the~~
7 ~~designated staff shall be posted in a visible and centrally accessible~~
8 ~~location at the event site.~~

9 (c) Commencing January 1, 2028, a youth sports organization
10 shall ensure that its AED is maintained and tested according to the
11 operation and maintenance guidelines established by the
12 manufacturer of that AED and the applicable rules and regulations
13 of the federal Food and Drug Administration or any other
14 applicable state or federal authority.