October AED Survey Results

Survey Date: October 16-31, 2009
Total number of respondents: 75

The majority of respondents who have received a prescription from their physician to obtain an AED have done so. The most commonly listed reason for not obtaining an AED, other than not needing one, is actually having an ICD. Some of the comments from the alternative uses of an AED include: taking it to amusement parks, church, field trips, gatherings: to teach people how to use AEDs, traveling to remote areas, and taking it to be inspected.

The survey was successful in helping the SADS Foundation identify those who would like help in getting an AED as well as families who have AEDs and can give advice from their own experiences.

Below are graphs of the survey results, titled by survey question. If you have any questions or comments about the survey, please contact Adrienne at adrienne@sads.org or 1-800-STOP-SAD (800-786-7723). Thank you to all those who responded and keep your eyes out for the next survey!!
Have you ever used the AED?

- Yes; on diagnosed family member
- No

Reasons for not owning an AED:
- Do not personally feel the need for an AED
- Cannot afford to purchase an AED
- Do not know where/how to get an AED
- Have an AED at work, school, etc and feel that is sufficient
- Dr. has NOT prescribed AED
- Dr. prescribed one but currently have not obtained AED
- Requested Dr. write a prescription; waiting for Dr.
- Other
If you have a child with LQT, does their school have an AED on campus?

Yes (86.4%)
No (13.6%)

If you have LQT, does your employer have an AED on site?

Yes (54.3%)
No (45.7%)

Did your insurance cover the cost of your AED?

Yes (54.7%)
No (45.3%)
Do not have insurance (1.9%)
Other AED Usage

- take it with you in the car
- take it to child's sporting event
- have child carry it with them when they leave the house
- take it on vacations
- take it to child's youth group gatherings
- registered it with local fire department
- informed neighbors and friends you own AED in case of emergency
- nothing, AED stays in house
- Other