

Emergency Response

MINISTRY TEAM ORIENTATION

The Emergency Response Team (ER Team) supports the ministry of the Word as a part of the Assimilation Ministries Team (Acts 6:1-7). Emergency Response Team Members serve to provide leadership and the appropriate medical intervention in the event of a medical emergency at the Brook Hills campus on Sundays. They serve as the medical expert and team leader for the first responders to any emergencies on the campus and must have current Alabama licensure in their medical specialty (M.D., R.N., P.A., E.M.T., C.R.N.A., etc.) This team sits in designated seats in the Worship Room during Worship Gatherings.

Serving effectively as a member of the ER Team requires knowledge of the following:

Team Schedule

Team Members serve for two hours (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.). They are asked to serve a minimum of one Sunday per month. In the event that a team member cannot serve on their scheduled week, they are to contact other team members to find a substitute. In the event that they cannot find a substitute, they should contact Daphne Mohon, Team Leader, (205) 587-4889, daphnemohon@charter.net.

Accessibility and Identification

Team members are requested to sit in the designated seats in the Worship Room so that the Ushers can alert them in the event of a medical emergency. If it is not feasible for the team member on call to sit in the designated seats, the Usher Team Leader must be notified of their location.

Two-Way Radios

Radios and an earpiece with a microphone are provided for the team member on call. These can be found in the Coat Room. The ER Team member on call must be on the radio at all times. Radio communication may be used to notify the ER Team of an emergency. A card listing the radio stations for all the teams is available upon request at the Connection Central Desk. The Emergency Response Team station number is 9.1.

Emergency Protocol

American Heart Association guidelines for CPR are followed in response to medical emergencies at the Brook Hills campus. The ER Team member on call is the leader and the decision maker for any medical emergency on their rotation. They determine the best course of action in the event of a medical emergency. Other first responders assisting them are the Usher Team and the Parking Team. The first responders will assist the ER team as needed. The Parking Team must be notified of the location of the emergency if an ambulance is called (see the attached Emergency Protocol). The Parking Team radio station is 15.0. A deputy may also be contacted through the Parking Team at station 15.0.

AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Locations

Team Members may be asked to locate an AED in the event of an emergency. The AEDs are in the following locations:

- Connection Central
- Second floor reception desk
- Student Center

An EpiPen is located at the Connection Central Desk in the Lobby.

Team members are welcome to contact the Assimilation Ministry Staff for any questions or needs:

Debby Bowers, Assimilation Minister, dbowers@brookhills.org, (205) 313-7795 office, or (205) 936-2129 cell.

Susie Farley, Ministry Assistant for Biblical Training/Membership, (205) 313-7782, sfarley@brookhills.org.

Emergency Protocol

WHAT TO DO IN A MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Call an ambulance and get the AED anytime someone loses consciousness or, if in your best judgment, you think that one is necessary. If the family tells you not to call an ambulance, explain to the family that this is our policy and call 911 anyway.

Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) are located at the:

- Connection Central Desk in the Lobby
- Main Building 2nd floor Reception Desk
- Student Building Reception Desk

An EpiPen is located at the Connection Central Desk in the Lobby.

If the emergency occurs in the Worship Room, make every effort to move the person to the lobby outside Room 130.

Emergency Response Team is on call every Sunday morning to assist you. The ER Team member on call is the leader and the decision maker for any medical emergency on their rotation. They determine the best course of action in the event of a medical emergency. The ER team can be reached by alerting an Usher or calling 9.1 on the radio. Any of the volunteers at the Welcome Desk or the Connection Central Desk in the lobby can communicate with the ER Team by radio on Sunday mornings.

Parking and Usher Teams are also American Red Cross Certified in Basic CPR and use of the AED. These teams also serve as "first responders" to medical emergencies.

The Parking Team should be notified of the location of the emergency when you call an ambulance. They can be reached by calling 15.0 on your radio (if you have one). Any of the volunteers at the Welcome Desk or the Connection Central Desk in the lobby can communicate with them by radio on Sunday mornings.

Sunday evening emergencies will be managed by the Usher Team and the Brook Hills Staff.

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