

## CHAPTER 93

AN ACT concerning defibrillators in nursing homes and supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

**BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.26:2H-12.26 Nursing homes, defibrillator, trained personnel; required.

1. A nursing home that is licensed pursuant to P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.) shall, no later than one year after the effective date of this act:

a. acquire at least one defibrillator as defined in section 2 of P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-24), which shall be maintained in a central location within the nursing home that shall be made known and available to the employees of the nursing home for the purposes of this act;

b. ensure that the defibrillator is tested and maintained, and provide notification to the appropriate first aid, ambulance or rescue squad or other appropriate emergency medical services provider regarding the defibrillator, the type acquired and its location, pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-25);

c. arrange and pay for training in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and the use of a defibrillator for employees of the nursing home in accordance with the provisions of section 3 of P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-25); and

d. ensure that the employees of the nursing home comply with the provisions of section 4 of P.L.1999, c.34 (C.2A:62A-26) concerning the use of the defibrillator.

2. The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), shall adopt rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved July 9, 2004.