



HEART HOSPITAL  
of NEW MEXICO  
FOUNDATION



## Media Advisory

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### **American Heart Association Wants One Million People to Commit to CPR & AED Training *Heart Hospital of New Mexico Foundation to be Recognized for AED Program***

**WHAT:** During National CPR & AED Awareness Week, the Heart Hospital of New Mexico Foundation will be recognized by the American Heart & Stroke Association for their AED program. The program will give up to 12 AEDs a year to organizations who apply and the Heart Hospital Foundation has committed \$100,000 to the initiative.

**WHO:** American Heart & Stroke Association  
Heart Hospital of New Mexico Foundation  
EMS Aspects  
Cardiac Science

**WHEN:** Thursday, June 4  
11:00am

**WHERE:** Heart Hospital of New Mexico  
504 Elm Street

**WHY:** The American Heart Association wants a million people to learn CPR and receive AED training as part of National CPR & AED Awareness Week, June 1-7, to help save cardiac arrest victims. The week encourages the public to get CPR training and learn how to use an AED.

More than two hundred fifty thousand people die in the United States each year of sudden cardiac arrest before they reach a hospital. Without immediate CPR, the chance of surviving out-of-hospital cardiac arrest drops 7 percent to 10 percent for each minute that passes without defibrillation. Unfortunately, less than one third of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest victims receive bystander CPR.