



Development of the CPR and ECC Guidelines



2020 Goals of the AHA

- **Double Survival from Cardiac Arrest**
- **Double Out of Hospital CPR Bystander Response**

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What have we learned about CPR?

More profound overall understanding of CPR

- CPR makes a difference
- CPR must be started as soon as a victim collapses
- We must rely on a trained/willing public to initiate CPR
- When CPR is performed, even by professionals, it is often not done well
- Compressions are interrupted too frequently
- Excessive ventilation is provided during CPR for victims with advanced airways
- Chest compressions are often too slow and shallow

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CLOSED-CHEST CARDIAC MASSAGE

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When cardiac arrest occurs, either at standstill or at ventricular fibrillation, the circulation must be restored promptly; otherwise aorta will result in irreversible damage. There are two techniques that may be used to end the emergency: one is to open the chest and massage the heart directly and the other is to accomplish the same end by a new method of closed-chest cardiac massage. The latter method is described in this communication. The closed-chest alternating-current "defibrillator" that was developed in our laboratories has proved to be an effective and reliable means of restoring ventricular fibrillation. Its counter-shock must be used through the chest promptly, or the cardiac aorta will have developed to such a degree that the heart will no longer be able to resume fibrillar contractions without assistance. Our experience has indicated that external defibrillation is not likely to be followed by the return of spontaneous heart action, unless the counter-shock is applied within less than three minutes after the onset of ventricular fibrillation.

A study was undertaken of means of extending this time limitation without opening the chest. A method was sought that would provide adequate circulation to maintain the tone of the heart and the metabolism of the central nervous system. This method was to be at once readily applicable, safe to use, and requiring a minimum of equipment.

One of the first attempts at enhancing circulation in the arrested heart was a closed-chest method reported by Haecker¹ in 1925. Working with cats, he grasped the heart in his hands at the area of great coronary vessels and applied fibrillar pressure

Cardiac resuscitation after cardiac arrest in ventricular fibrillation has been limited by the need for easy thoracotomy and direct cardiac massage. As a result of laboratory animal experimentation a method of external closed-chest cardiac massage was developed. This method required no thoracotomy and required no special equipment. It was found that this method induced immediate resuscitative measures that are not inferior to the present methods used to arrest fibrillation and that adequate resuscitation may follow after thirty minutes of apnea, as opposed to 20 patients has

75%. Apnea, asphyxiation, can now initiate cardiac resuscitative procedures. All that is needed is one hand.

on a half minute after the onset of induced ventricular fibrillation. They reported that this time limitation might be extended to as long as eight minutes by rhythmic application of pressure on the thorax in the region of the heart. In tests which lasted 10 to 15 minutes 19 animals survived and 17 died. These authors, however, gave no specific information as to the method of application of the pressure. Haecker and Bland² reported that cardiac arrest in children by lowering the head about 10 degrees, played on an unresuscitated patient's head, and forcing the jaw and larynx against the chest. They reported eight successful resuscitations in patients paralyzed from 8 weeks to 12 years in age.

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was in ventricular fibrillation for eight minutes. Simultaneously recorded on a four-lead standard were the blood flow in a carotid artery, the intracranial and average pressures of the femoral artery, and the carotidites. The tracings in the first column of figure 1 are the normal values of these respective phenomena immediately before fibrillation was induced by a 15-second shock. The second column shows the build-up of blood flow and pressures that took place when closed-chest cardiac massage was started one minute after the onset of fibrillation. The third column is a record of what took place about seven minutes later. Note that vigorous fibrillation has been maintained throughout the entire period. The fourth and last column shows the immediate return of normal sinus rhythm when the closed chest defibrillator shock was given. The electrocardiograph was temporarily disconnected when the counter shock was applied.

Method. The method of closed-chest cardiac massage developed during these animal studies is simple to apply; it is one that need not be complicated. The only human hand is required. The principle of the method is applied to man in a readily seen by consideration of the anatomy of the human torso in a contained organ. The heart is located anteriorly by the sternum and posteriorly by the vertebral bodies. Its lateral movement is restricted by the pericardium. Pressure on the sternum compresses the heart between it and the spine, forcing out blood. Relaxation of the pressure allows the heart to fill. The thoracic cavity is spacious and unobstructed and the method is surprisingly simple. The method of application is shown in figure 2. With the patient in a supine position, preferably on a rigid support, the heel of one hand with the

slightly to permit full expansion of the chest. The pressure should be so positioned that he can use his body weight by applying the pressure. Sufficient pressure should be used to move the sternum 3 or 4 cm. toward the vertebral column.

Closed-chest cardiac massage provides some ventilation of the lungs, and it is there is only one person present in a case of arrest, attention should be



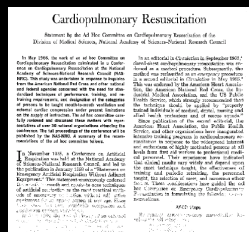


Fig. 1—Results of basis during massage of adult.

continued on the cover. If there are two or more persons present, one should massage the heart while the other gives mouth-to-mouth respiration.

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1966 - AHA collaborated to create the first CPR Standards



In 1966, the AHA collaborated with the National Academy of Science and the National Research Council to establish the first standards for CPR training and performance.



AHA CPR and ECC Guidelines

- Largest evidence evaluation process in the world

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Achieving Consensus on Resuscitation Science



The American Heart Association and other member councils of International Liaison Committee on Resuscitation (ILCOR) complete review of resuscitation science every 5 years.



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Expanding to International Consensus



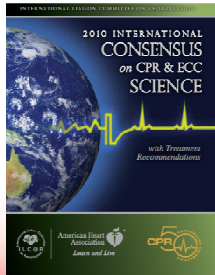
Process from Question to Guidelines

1. ILCOR Task Forces formulate questions
2. Worksheet authors perform structured evidence evaluation (with help from experts), present to Task Force
3. Task Forces debate, discuss, reach consensus, draft manuscripts
4. International Editorial Board, Councils review consensus, provide input to writing groups
5. Circulation obtains peer reviews
6. Consensus on Science published
7. Councils develop Guidelines

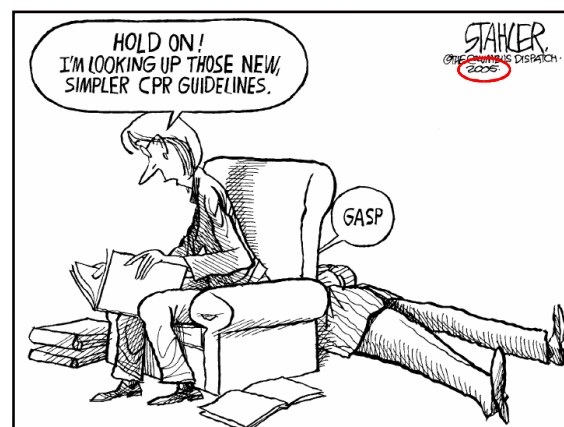
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Evidence Evaluation Process

- 411 scientific evidence reviews on 277 topics
- 313 participants formed 6 working groups at 2010 Consensus Conference
- International process (46% from outside U.S.)
- Conflict of Interest (COI) questionnaires completed by all participants (802 collected and reviewed)
- Working group members voted on each recommendation



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Guidelines never saved anyone.....

Performing CPR SAVES LIVES

YOUR training is what actually saves lives!



AHA Evidence Classification		CLASS I	CLASS IIa	CLASS IIb	CLASS III
		Benefit >>> Risk Procedure/Treatment SHOULD be performed/ administered	Benefit >> Risk Additional studies with broad objectives needed. IT IS REASONABLE to perform procedure/treatment	Benefit > Risk Additional studies with broad objectives needed. Additional study data would be helpful Procedure/Treatment MAY BE CONSIDERED	Benefit < Risk Procedure/Treatment should NOT be performed/ administered SINCE IT IS NOT HELPFUL AND/OR MAY BE HARMFUL
ESTIMATE OF CERTAINTY/PRECISION OF TREATMENT EFFECT	LEVEL A Multiple populations evaluated Data derived from multiple randomized clinical trials or meta-analyses	Recommendation that procedure or treatment is useful/effective Sufficient evidence from multiple randomized trials or meta-analyses	Recommendation in favor of treatment or procedure being useful/effective Some conflicting evidence from multiple randomized trials or meta-analyses	Recommendation is controversial/evidence less well established Greater conflicting evidence from multiple randomized trials or meta-analyses	Recommendation that procedure or treatment is not useful/effective and may be harmful Evidence from single randomized trial or nonrandomized studies
	LEVEL B Limited populations evaluated Data derived from a single randomized trial or nonrandomized studies	Recommendation that procedure or treatment is useful/effective Evidence from single randomized trial or nonrandomized studies	Recommendation in favor of treatment or procedure being useful/effective Some conflicting evidence from single randomized trial or nonrandomized studies	Recommendation is controversial/evidence less well established Greater conflicting evidence from single randomized trial or nonrandomized studies	Recommendation that procedure or treatment is not useful/effective and may be harmful Evidence from single randomized trial or nonrandomized studies
	LEVEL C Very limited populations evaluated Only consensus opinion of experts, case studies, or standard of care	Recommendation that procedure or treatment is useful/effective Only expert opinion, case studies, or standard of care	Recommendation in favor of treatment or procedure being useful/effective Only diverging expert opinion, case studies, or standard of care	Recommendation is controversial/evidence less well established Only diverging expert opinion, case studies, or standard of care	Recommendation that procedure or treatment is not useful/effective and may be harmful Only expert opinion, case studies, or standard of care
		Strongly recommended Should be considered/implemented	It is reasonable to consider/implemented Should be considered/implemented	May/should be considered/implemented Should be considered/implemented	Not recommended Should not be considered/implemented

BLS-045A "In adult and pediatric patients with cardiac arrest (prehospital [OHCA], in-hospital [IHCA]) (P), does optimizing chest wall recoil (I) compared with standard care (C), improve outcome (eg. ROSC, survival) (O)? In patients with CA (P), does optimizing chest wall recoil (I), improve survival (O)?"

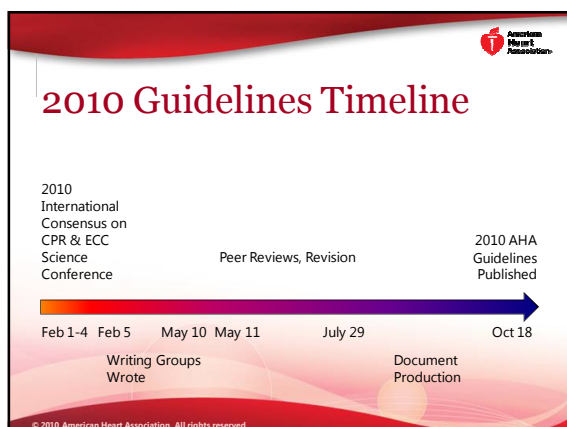
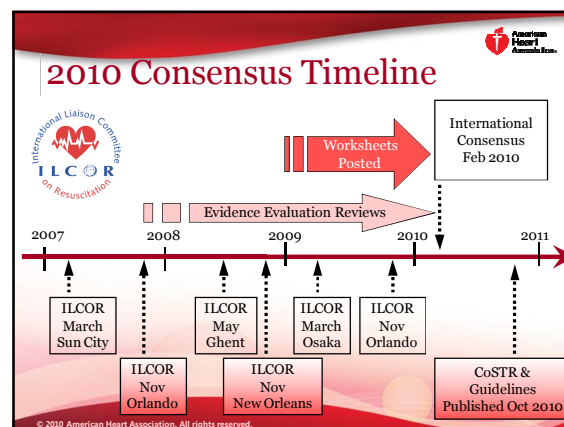
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Knowledge Gaps

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- Other specific worksheets that would be helpful
 - Another worksheet on teaching complete chest recoil has been suggested and completed
 - Specific method to train recoil is not yet clear, so studies on this are still needed.
- Specific research required
 - A large, multi-center, randomized clinical trial evaluating ROSC and survival to hospital discharge in patients receiving standard CPR versus techniques that produce a higher incidence of complete chest recoil (with monitoring quality of CPR delivered) is needed to definitively answer this question.



2010 American Heart Association Guidelines for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Cardiovascular Care Science

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English version can be downloaded free of charge at: www.heart.org/cpr

Impact of 2010 AHA Guidelines for CPR and ECC

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- Since October 18th, AHA ECC Guidelines web content:
 - >7.6M page views
 - >1.6M unique visitors.
- In the first week,
 - 800 million print, online and broadcast media impressions
 - More than any other AHA media launch including Go Red for Women
- Over 100,000 views of a YouTube video demonstrating updated CPR.

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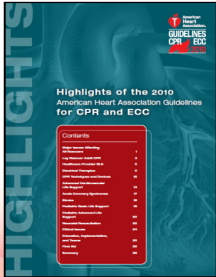
- Printed Guidelines published November 3, 2010.
- Can be purchased through www.heart.org/cpr

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Guidelines Highlights

- Summarizes key changes in the 2010 AHA Guidelines for CPR and ECC
- Available electronically in English and 12 other languages at: heart.org/cpr

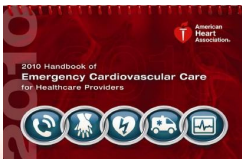


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2010 Handbook of Emergency Cardiovascular Care for Healthcare Providers

- Valuable quick reference tool that incorporates the latest science and includes updated algorithms as well as information on therapeutic agents, stroke, and acute coronary syndromes.
- Available at AHA Sessions and heart.org/cpr



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