What to Do in the Event of a Cardiac Arrest Emergency

If someone suffers Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA), every minute counts:

WHAT TO DO
- Determine whether the victim is responsive. If not......
- Call 911 or 9-911
- Start CPR on the victim
- Send someone for the AED
- Ideally, one person calls 911, a second person administers CPR to the victim and the third runs to get the AED and returns with it to the victim.
- Others can quickly go to building entrances to guide emergency responders to the victim.
- If you are the person to call 911 - stay on the line – answer the dispatcher’s questions - give the dispatcher exact information as to where the victim is located in the building.
- Trained citizen responders can provide emergency care to the victim in the all important minutes between calling 911, and the arrival of police/ambulance personnel.
- Emergency responders will take over caring for the victim when they arrive

NOTE
- Calling 911 or 9-911 will connect you with Lancaster County Emergency Dispatch.
- Call using your cell phone or from any building phone. All campus phones are identifiable to Lancaster County Emergency Dispatch and your exact location will be known by the dispatcher. Calling 911 will dispatch University Police, and the local ambulance association to the building.

AED Locations
The University has placed AEDs in all residence halls and in many classroom buildings. Click on this link to find the location of the AED’s in campus buildings:
http://www.millersville.edu/hr/ehs/resources.php
Know where the AED’s are located in your building. Larger buildings have multiple AED’s in different locations.

Giving Emergency Medical Care to a Victim
Whether trained or not trained, building occupants or members of the public are not required to render emergency care to victims of SCA. Only those trained in the use of an AED and emergency CPR should attempt to render emergency care to a victim of SCA. The Pennsylvania Good Samaritan Law provides liability protection for trained citizen responders who use AED’s and CPR to aid victims of SCA.

Training
Millersville University encourages all faculty and staff to learn how to use an AED and administer emergency CPR. AED/CPR training requires a 5-6 hour training course that teaches you how to use the AED and perform emergency CPR. The Environmental Health and Safety office can provide this training for groups of people - or individuals can take the course through the American Red Cross of the Susquehanna Valley Chapter. Click on this link for training information:

If your department or group would like to schedule AED/CPR training, please contact Jonathon at 871-5111 or Patrick Weidinger at 872-3715.