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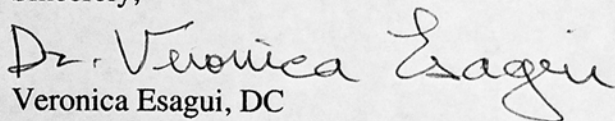
To : Representative Julie Parrish  
From: Dr. Veronica Esagui  
RE: Support for HB 3135

I, Dr. Veronica Ezagui, fully support House Bill HB 3135 and urge its immediate passage for the sake of Oregon's children. Thank you for sponsoring HB 3135. I feel this bill is of critical importance to the safety of children in Oregon's public schools. When I learned what the minimum guidelines were in public schools I was shocked and appalled. Children need immediate CPR when they collapse. There is no time to go for help. In fact, our CPR training has taught us that we are not supposed to leave to go get help in the first two minutes, because those are the most important minutes of a child's arrest.

The primary etiology of a child's arrest is often asphyxial in nature. Due to the respiratory nature of the child's arrest, immediate oxygenation is critical, or the child will suffer cardiac arrest and permanent brain damage within those first two minutes. It is unacceptable that Oregon's public schools don't have all teachers trained in immediate CPR. The fact that a teacher might be forced to leave the child to go find the response team, because they don't know CPR, or worse yet, because that is what their school district's policies are, is unacceptable and goes against current medical guidelines for CPR.

We thank you for sponsoring HB 3135 and we offer our heartfelt endorsement of this bill.

Sincerely,

  
Veronica Esagui, DC