



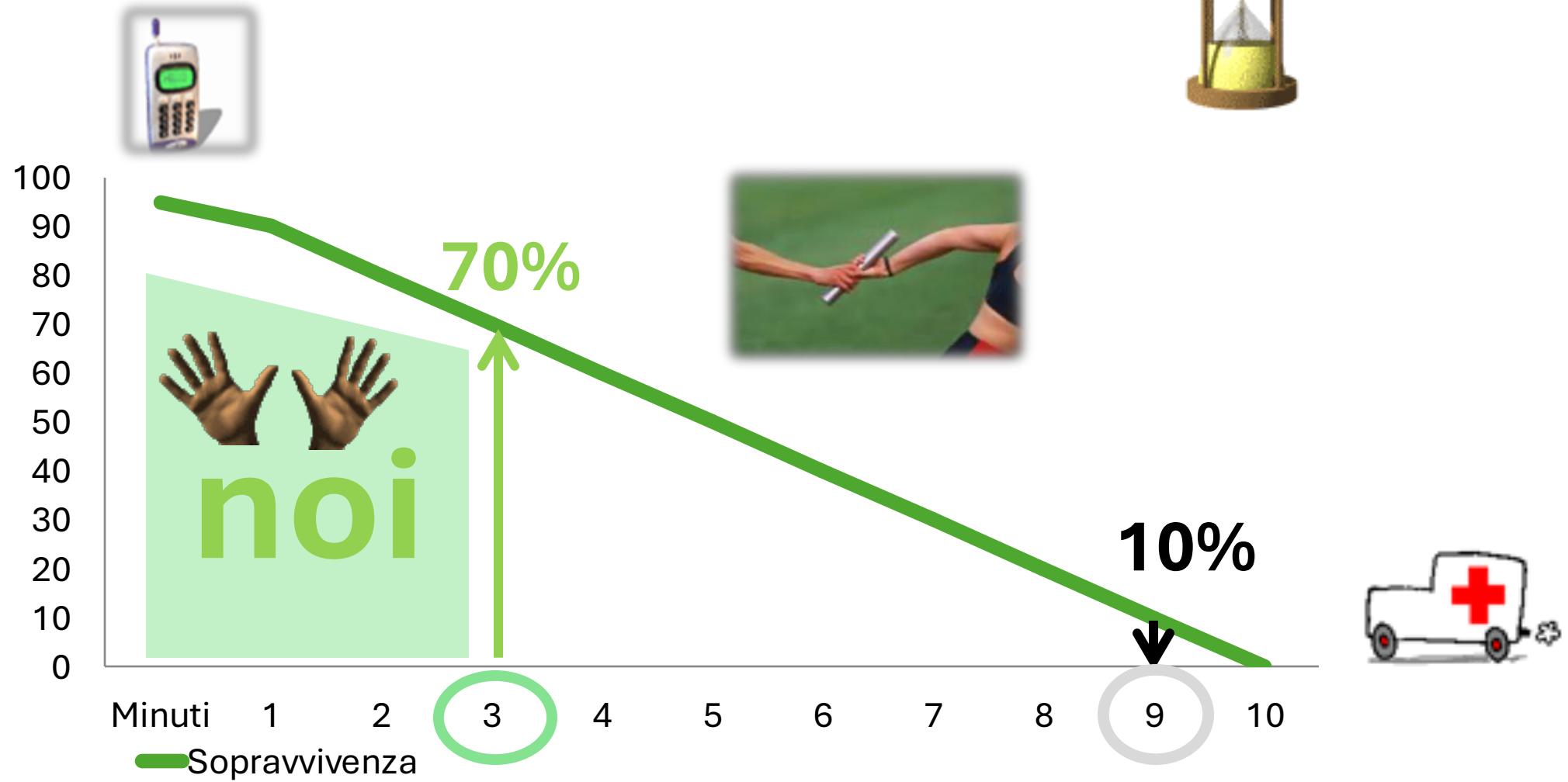
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Years
2005-2025

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Andrea Scapigliati

Arresto Cardiaco: **La** Patologia Tempo-dipendente

Una corsa contro il tempo



Registry in Europe:



EuReCa
ONE European Registry
of Cardiac arrest



EuReCa
TWO European Registry
of Cardiac arrest



EuReCa
THREE European Registry
of Cardiac Arrest



Study	Time	Country s	OHCA cases	Incidence (100.000/year)	Bystander CPR (%)
EuReCa One	2014 (3 mesi)	27	~10.700	~84	~47%
EuReCa Two	2017 (3 mesi)	27	~28.000	~56	~58%
EuReCa Three	2022 (3 mesi)	28	~67.000	~64	~63%

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Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest (OHCA)

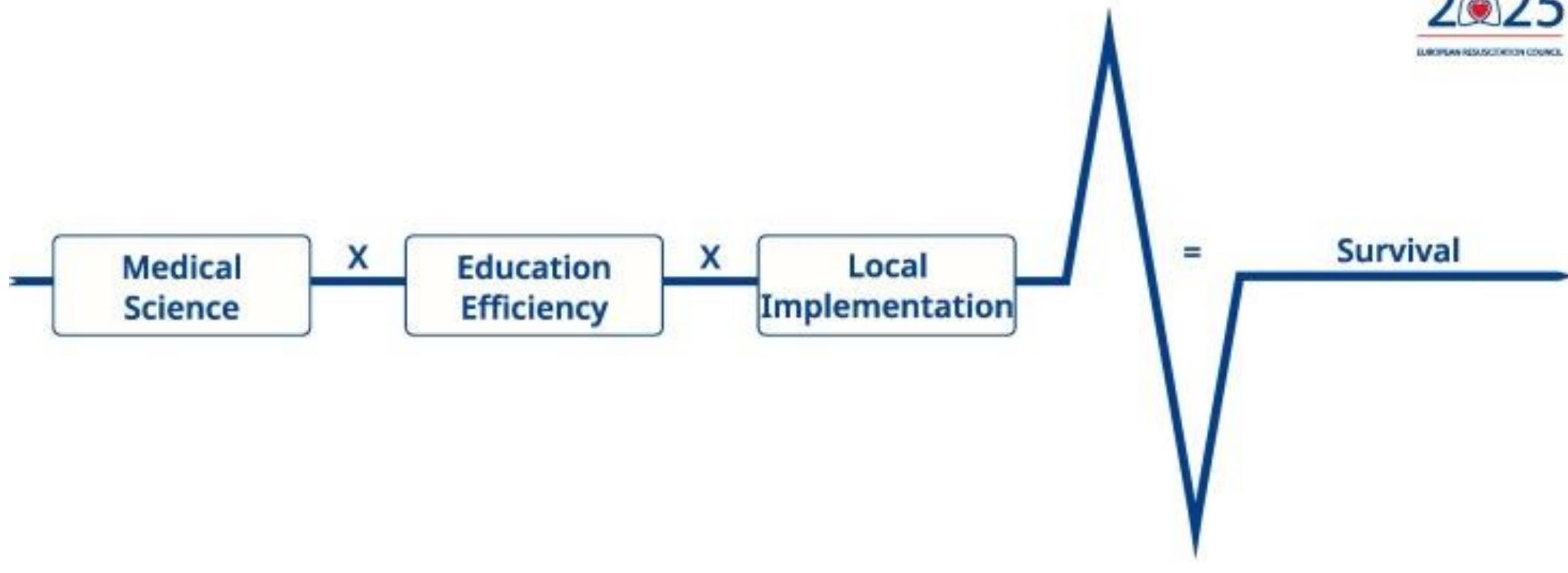
- **Incidence:** **55 per 100,000** inhabitants per year
- **Location:** **70%** occur in **private** residences
- **Initial shockable rhythm:** **~20%**
- **Bystander CPR:** **58%** (range 13–82%)
- **AED use before EMS arrival:** **2.6–59%**
- **Average survival:** **7.5%** (range 3.1–35%)

In-Hospital Cardiac Arrest (IHCA)

- **Incidence:** **1.5–2.8 per 1000** hospital admissions
- **Survival:** **27–62%** (wide variability between systems)
- **Standard internal emergency number** (2222): implemented **in only 2%** of countries

Formula of Survival

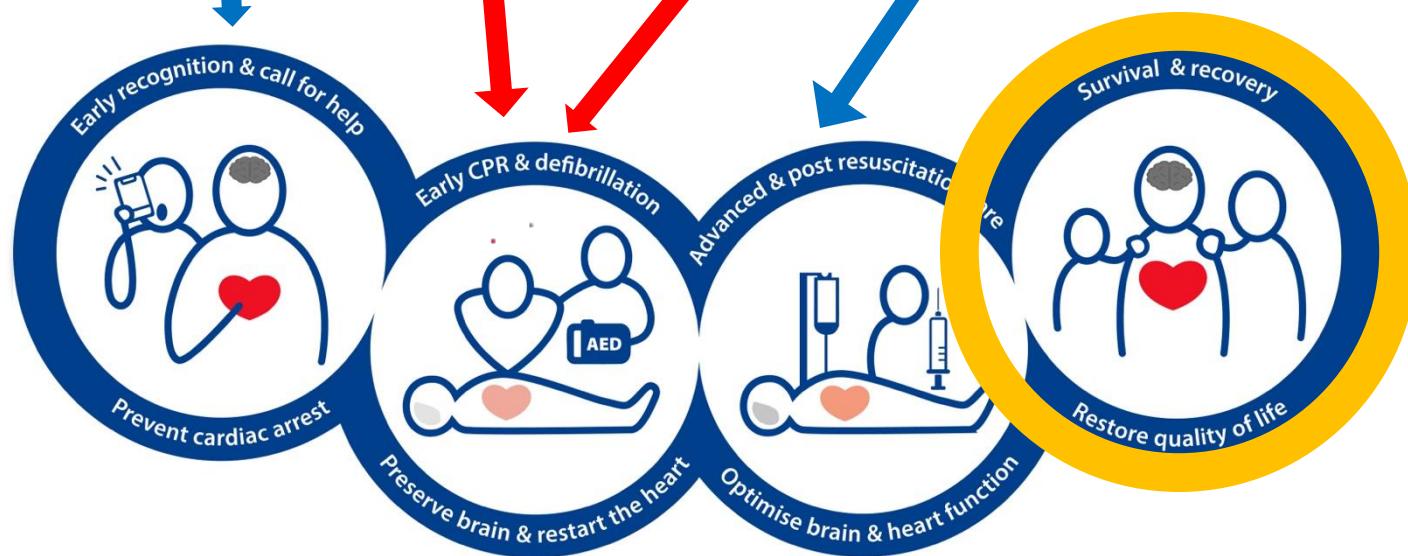
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Chain of survival

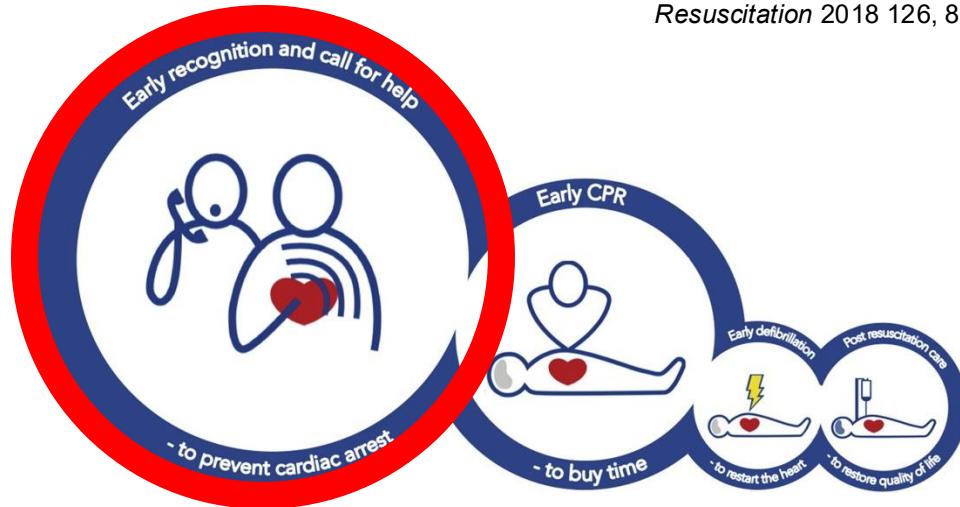
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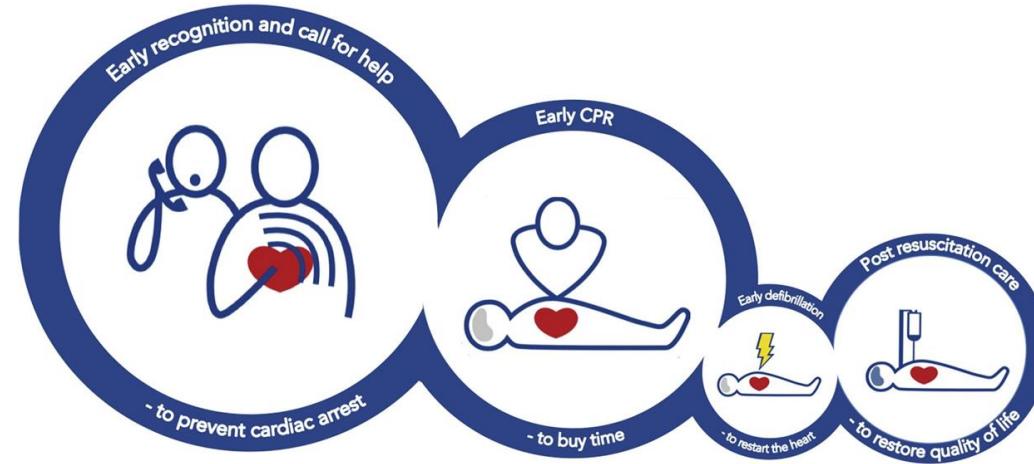
The chain of survival: not all links are equal (in terms of SURVIVAL)

Charles D. Deakin. Resuscitation 2018

Resuscitation 2018 126, 80-82DOI: (10.1016/j.resuscitation.2018.02.012)



Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest



In Hospital Cardiac Arrest



Efficacy Inversely Related to Costs

Coute R.A. et al.

Evaluation of National Institutes of Health Cardiac Arrest Research Based on 'Chain of Survival' Links.

Acad Emerg Med.2022;29:1381–1382.

Awareness



Before
Training



Bystander



Support



During
AED



Willingness to perform bystander cardiopulmonary resuscitation: A scoping review

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Promote

- CPR training
- Recent Training
- Hands-on Mass training
- High school **education**
- **Multiple bystanders**
- Family member
- **Compression Only CPR**



Barriers

Victim's

- **Female sex**
- Age
- Vomit, blood, alcohol
- Race

Bystander's

- Bystander Age
- Low socio-economic status
- **Recognition**
- Panic
- **Lack of confidence**
- **Afraid to hurt the victim**
- **Legal issues**
- Communication issues (language, phone)
- Physical issues (bystander/victim position)

Association between public cardiopulmonary resuscitation education and the willingness to perform bystander cardiopulmonary resuscitation: a metropolitan citywide survey

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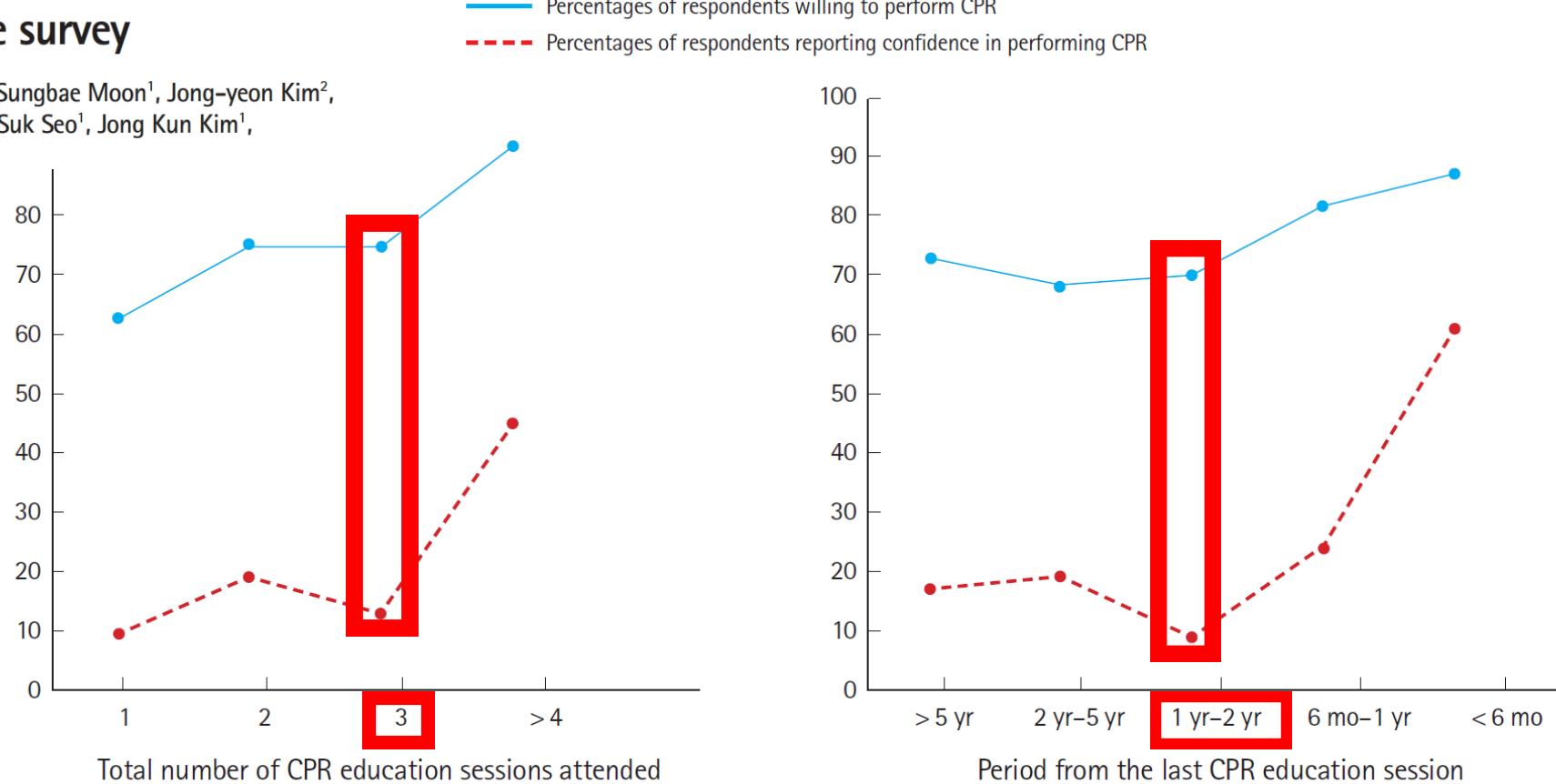


Fig. 1. Trends in the percentages of participants willing to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and percentages of confidence in performing CPR according to CPR education characteristics.

Japan

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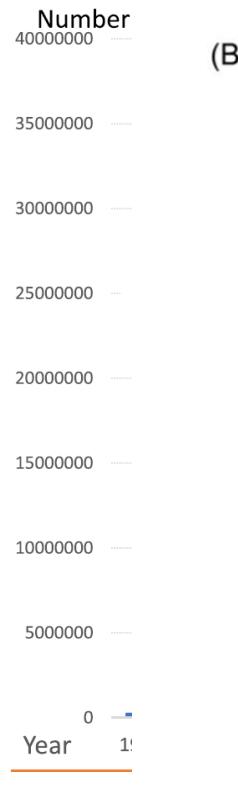
Clinical paper

Impact of a national initiative to provide civilian cardiopulmonary resuscitation training courses on the rates of bystander intervention by citizens and survival after out-of-hospital cardiac arrest

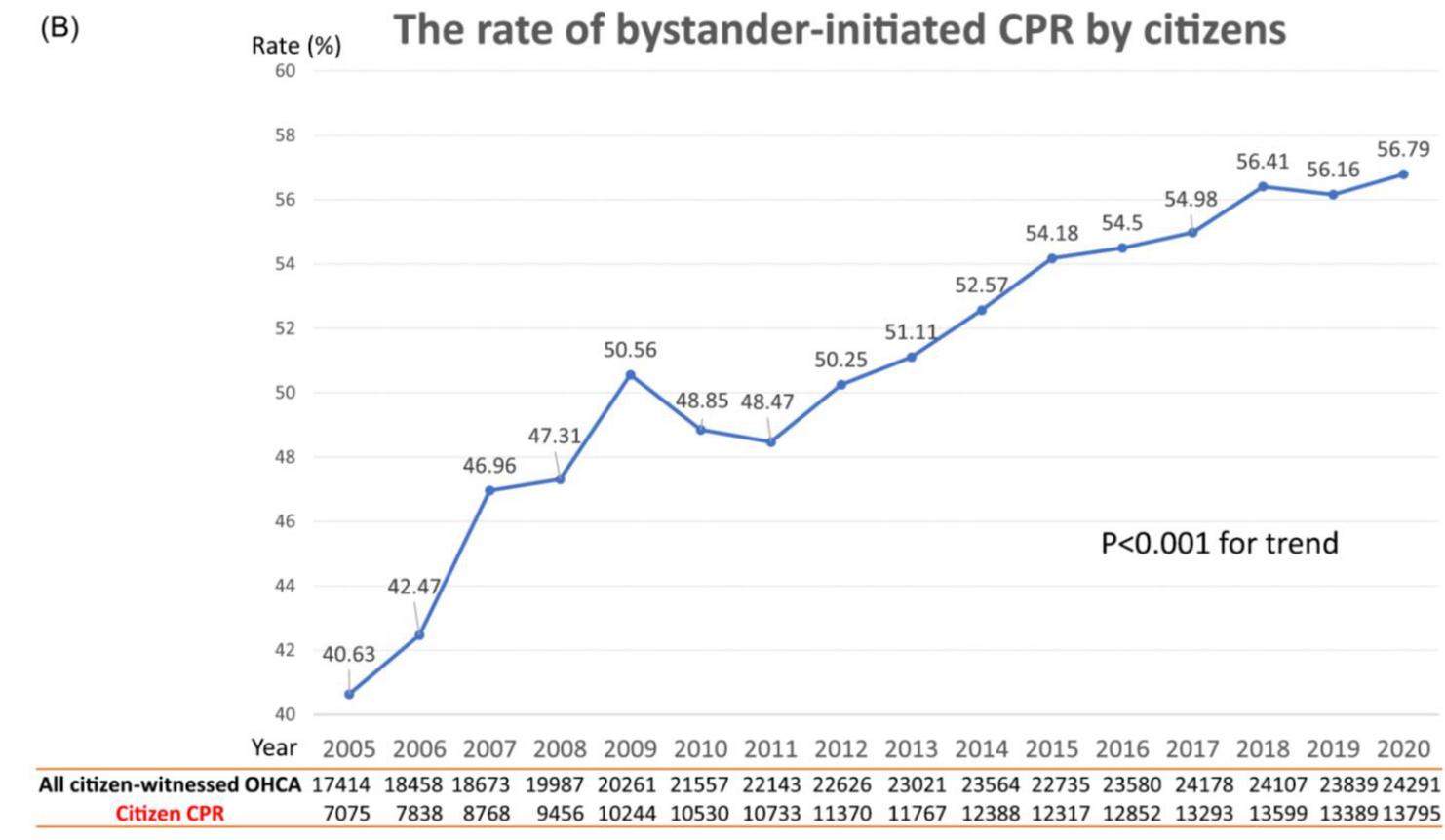


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(A) Annual and cumulative number of citizens certified for official CPR courses



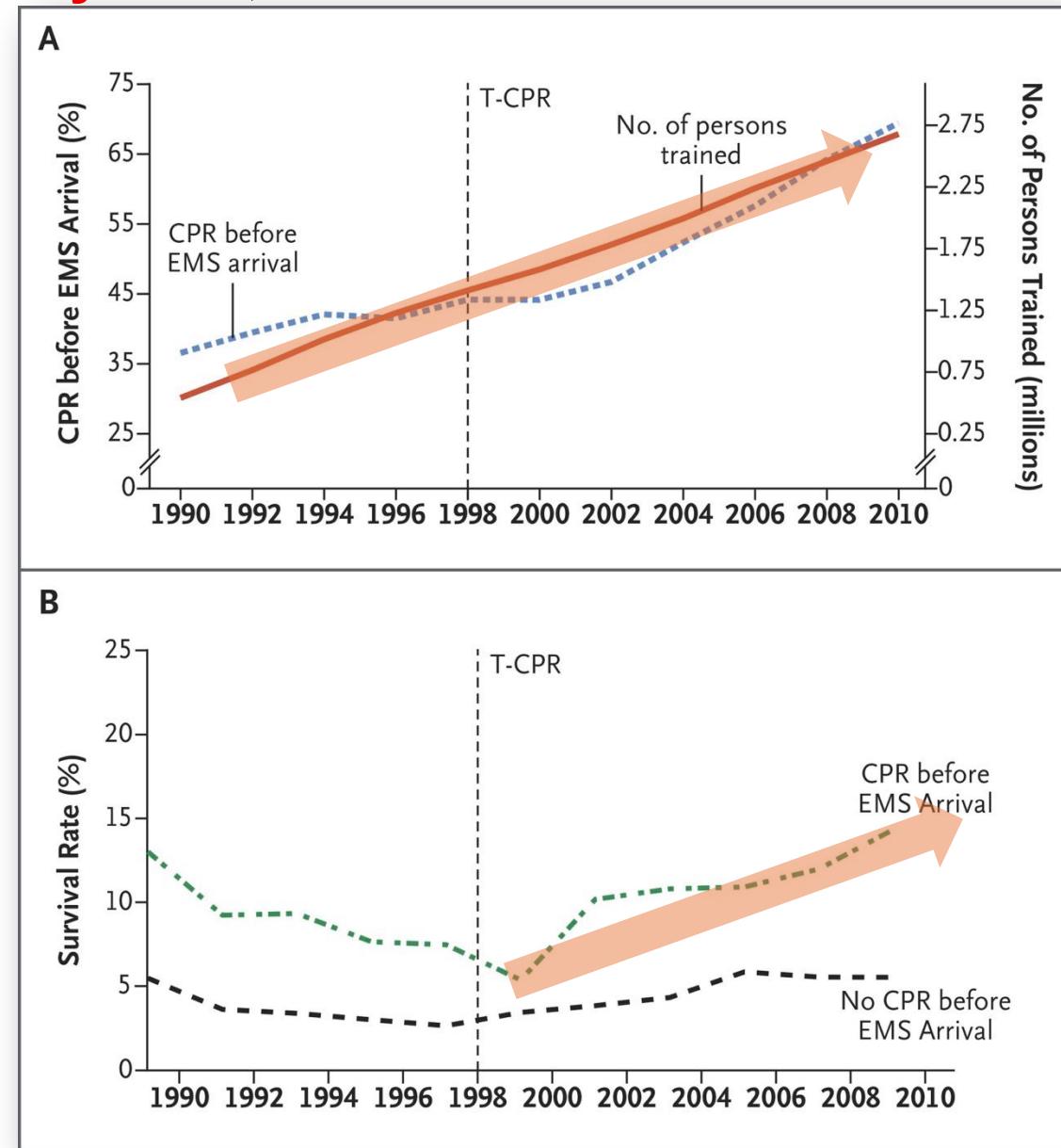
The rate of bystander-initiated CPR by citizens



Changes over Time in CPR Training, the Performance of Early CPR, and Survival Rates in Sweden.

**BLS Training
Bystander
CPR**

Survival

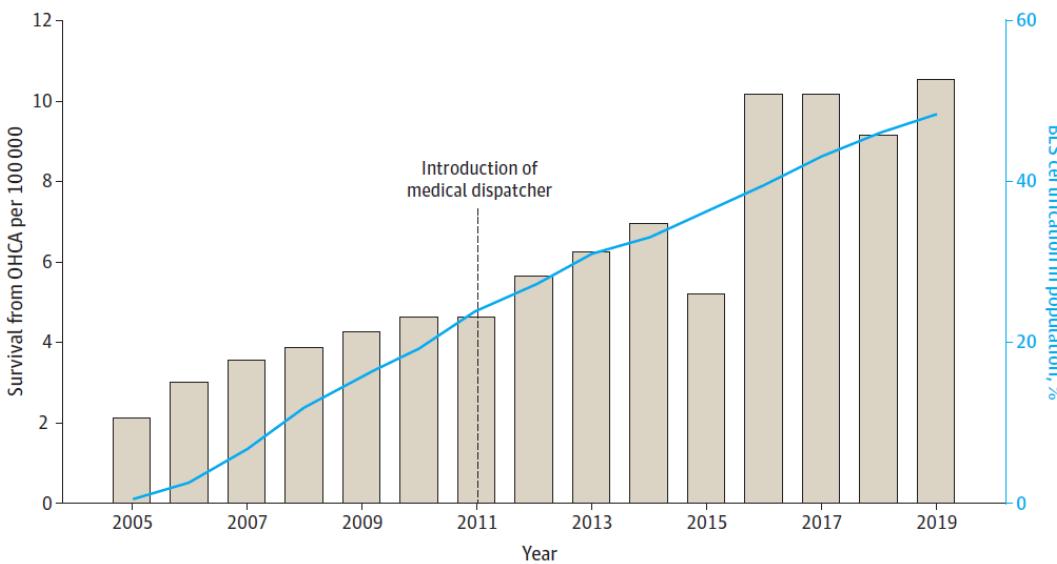


Hasselqvist-Ax I et al.
N Engl J Med 2015;372:2307-2315



Training in Basic Life Support and Bystander-Performed Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Survival in Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrests in Denmark, 2005 to 2019

Figure 2. Distribution of Basic Life Support (BLS) Certificates in the Danish Population and Survival From Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest (OHCA), From 2005 to 2019



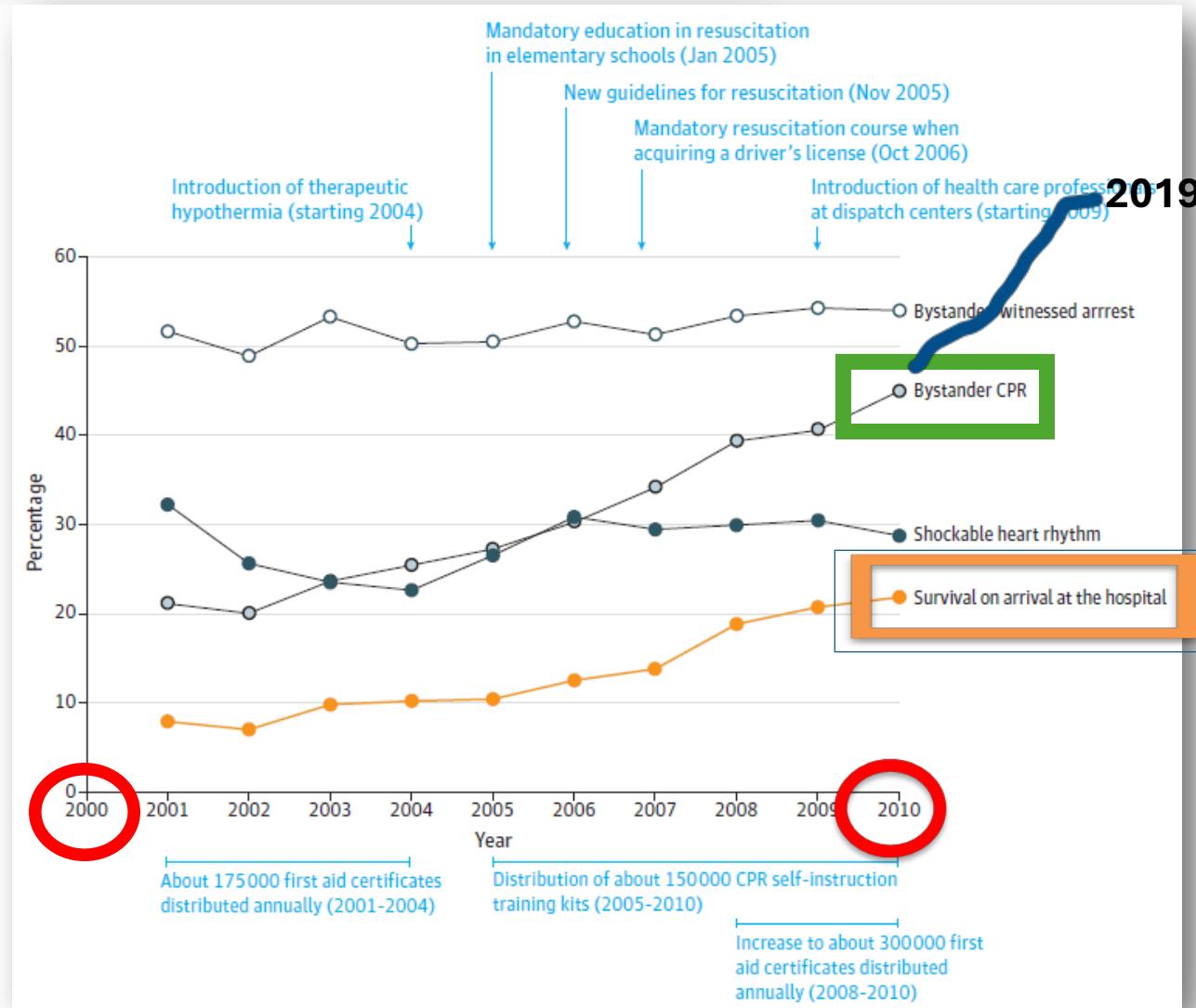
Denmark

5% more BLS participants = 14% more survivors

CONCLUSIONS AND RELEVANCE In this cohort study of Danish BLS course participation and survival, a positive association was found between annual rate of mass education in BLS and 30-day survival from OHCA. The association of BLS course participation rate on 30-day survival was mediated by the bystander CPR rate; approximately 60% of the association of BLS course participation rate on 30-day survival was based on factors other than increased CPR rates.

Association of National Initiatives to Improve Cardiac Arrest Management With Rates of Bystander Intervention and Patient Survival After Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest

JAMA. 2013;310(13):1377-1384.



European Resuscitation Council Guidelines 2021: Systems saving lives

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Community engagement

- Campaigns/Awareness
- Social Media
- School-based Education

Legislation and Policy

EMS recognition/Dispatch First Responders Systems

Cardiac Arrest Centres and IH-CPR Survivors Rehab

Tailored to the local context



The new Italian law “A systems saving lives” the first European former application of ERC 2021 guidelines

Scapigliati A, Semeraro F, Di Marco S, Ristagno G; IRC Executive Committee.
Resuscitation. 2021 Oct;167:47-48.

Systems Saving Lives

the **Italian Resuscitation Council** proposals become an Italian law

THE OUT-OF-HOSPITAL USE OF SEMI-AUTOMATIC AND AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AED)

1 Art. Mandatory placement of AEDs in public administration offices, public sites (airports, train stations, ports, etc.) and transport systems 

2 Art. AED Placement criteria in public places (local needs and PAD projects, access and availability, etc.) 

3 Art. Legal protection for lay rescuers performing bystander CPR and AED use 

4 Art. Mandatory availability and use of AEDs during sport events (practice and competition) both for professional and amateur teams 

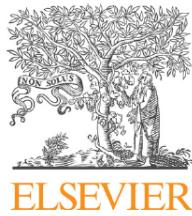
5 Art. CPR education and use of AED in schools taught to students (age 10-18), teachers, administrative and support staff 

6 Art. Inventory of all AEDs made by the EMS 

7 Art. A smartphone application for rescuer recruitment and AED location. National protocol for EMS dispatch-assisted pre-arrival instructions 

8 Art. Awareness campaigns on cardiac arrest and CPR, especially on WRAH occasion (October 16th) 

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Review

A narrative review of European public awareness initiatives for cardiac arrest



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In Italy, a law was passed in 2015 for mandatory resuscitation training for schoolchildren in primary and secondary schools nationwide. Furthermore, following the latest ERC guidelines, a “SSL Italian Law” was introduced, matching the new chapter SSL. With this Law, Italy takes a pioneering role in Europe and accelerates the implementation of the SSL concept in the community.²²

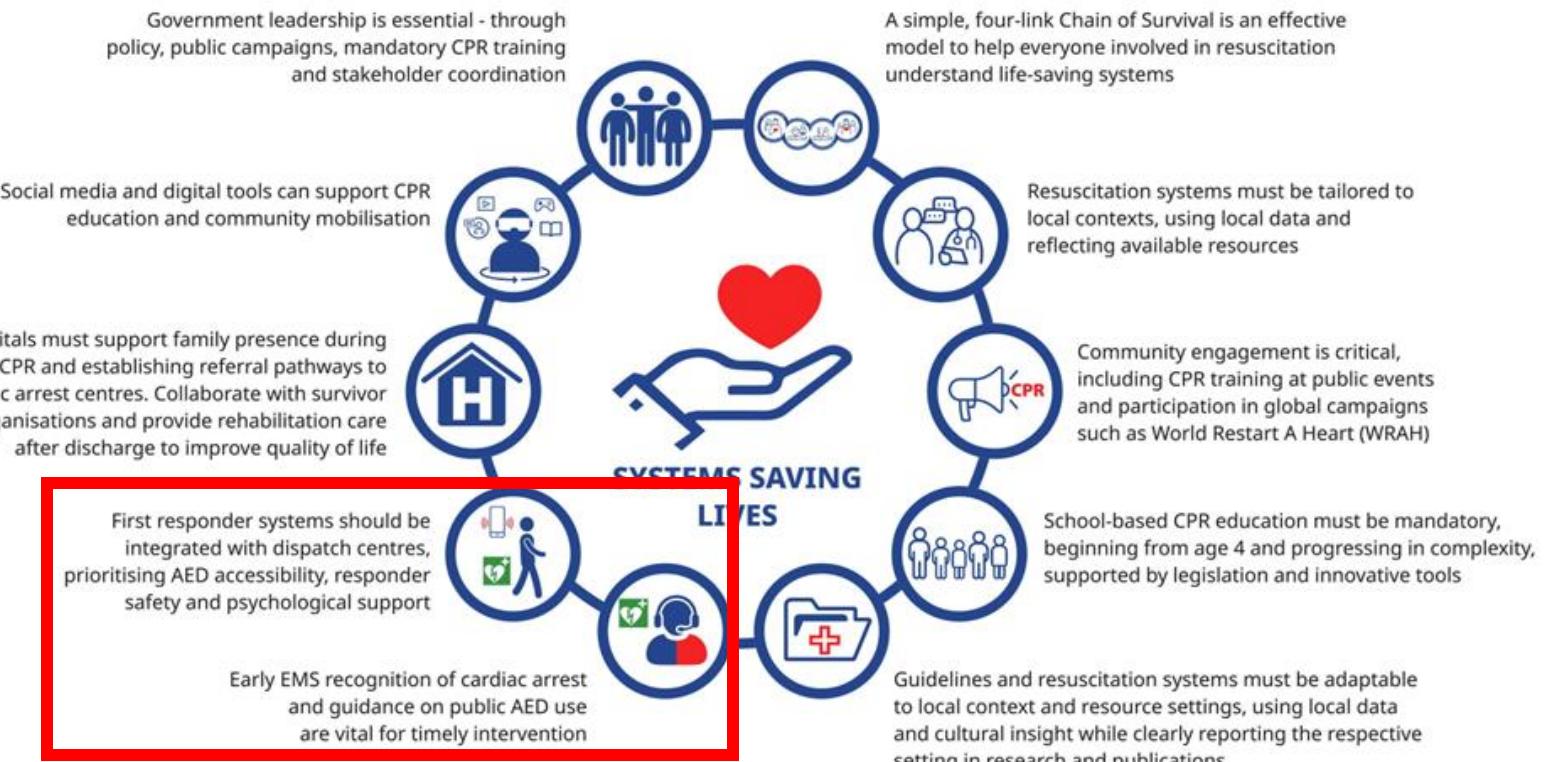
SYSTEMS SAVING LIVES KEY MESSAGES

Activation systems

AEDs

Integration with EMS (dispatch)

Safety and follow up



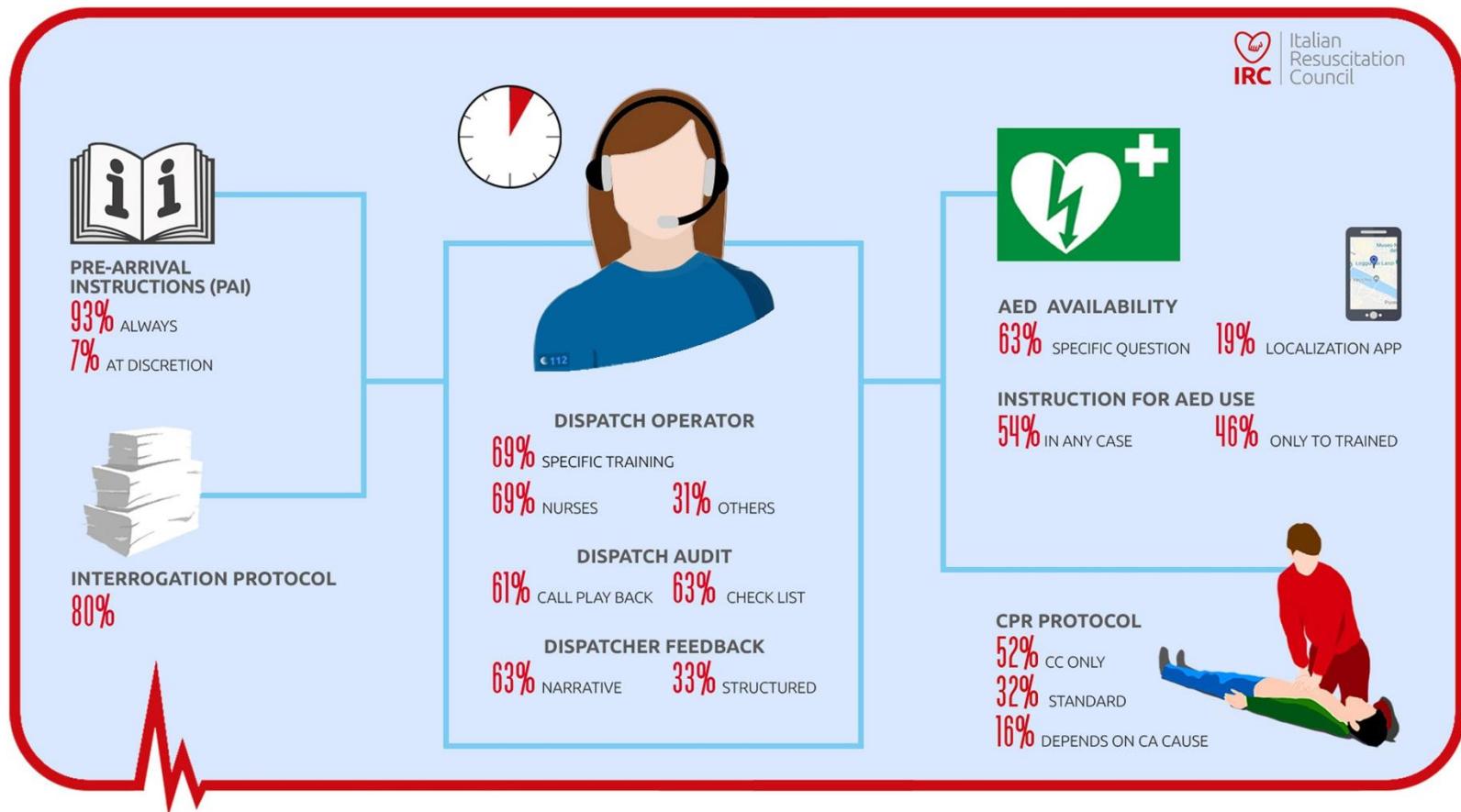
Preparedness for telephone dispatch-assisted cardiopulmonary resuscitation in Italy. A National survey

Di Marco S, Tucci R, Tonelli G, Frione G, Semeraro F, Ristagno G, Scapigliati A.

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Differences and Variability

Our survey shows a **heterogeneous and suboptimal** picture for PAI and DA-CPR preparedness in Italy.





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Review

Optimising telecommunicator recognition of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest: A scoping review

Grabmayr AJ. et al.



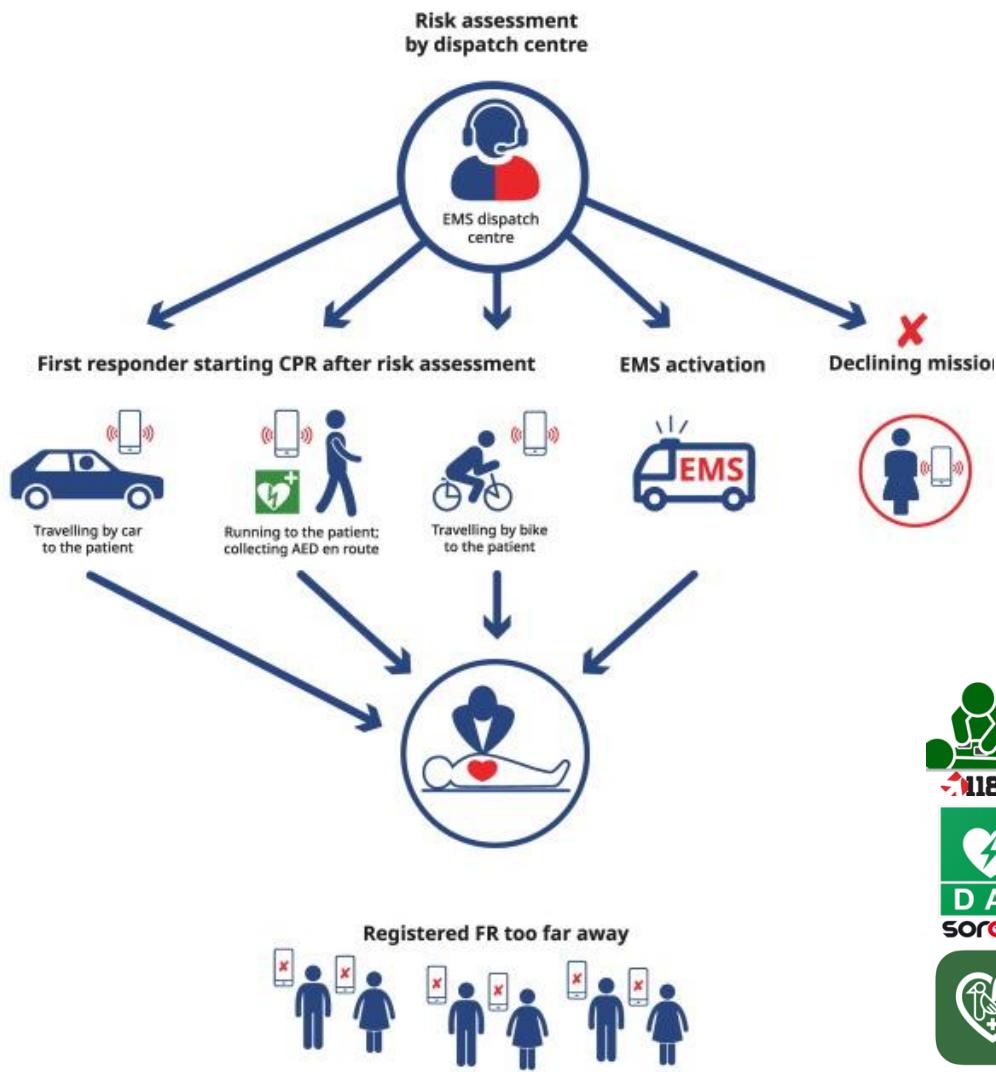
62 studies

Most frequent barriers to OHCA recognition:

- **Breathing status**
- **Agonal breathing**
- Caller's **emotional status**
- **Seizures**
- Non-systematic **dispatch protocol**
- **Language**
- Lack of situation awareness

Categories	Subcategories
Factors related to dispatcher-assisted recognition	
Communication between caller and dispatcher (n=16)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Caller's emotional state2. Caller's proximity to OHCA patient3. Effects of dispatcher behavior and communication with caller4. Caller's status (health care professional compared with non-health care professional)5. Effects of language barriers6. Linguistic format of qualified breathing questions7. Influence of callers chief complaint and use of trigger words
Symptoms and patient characteristics (n=19)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">8. Agonal breathing9. Patient status10. Seizures11. Patient demographics
Interventions to improve dispatcher-assisted recognition	
New technology to improve dispatcher recognition of OHCA (n=7)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">12. CCTV13. Machine learning14. Smart devices to detect agonal breathing
Quality improvement/implementation of new protocols to improve dispatcher recognition (n=26)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">15. MPDS16. Criterion-based dispatch17. Breathing18. Other quality improvement

First Responder Systems



All countries shown in blue currently have at least one operating community first responder system



Regione / Stato	Nome App	Allerta First Responder (via 118)	Mappa DAE	Note
Emilia-Romagna	DAE RespondER	✓	✓	App storica, integrata in tutte le Centrali 118 ER.
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	DAE FVG	✓	✓	Gestita da SORES FVG, app ufficiale regionale.
Marche	DAE Marche	✓	✓	Lanciata nel 2025, già centinaia di First Responder attivi.
San Marino	DAE Responder RSM	✓	✓	Collegata al 118 sammarinese, replica modello Emilia-Romagna.

First responder activation systems (Italy)

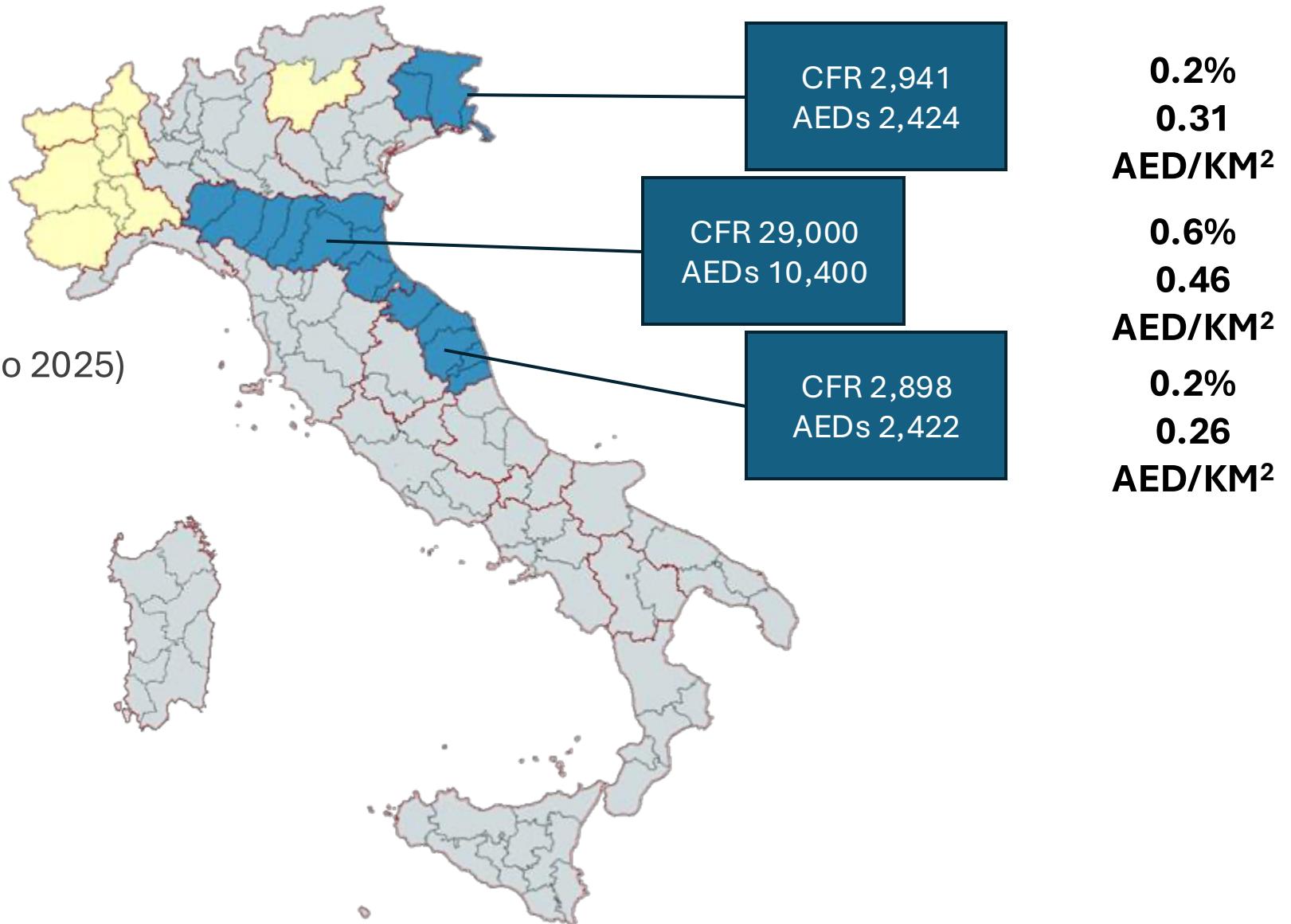
Italy

Emilia-Romagna (2017)

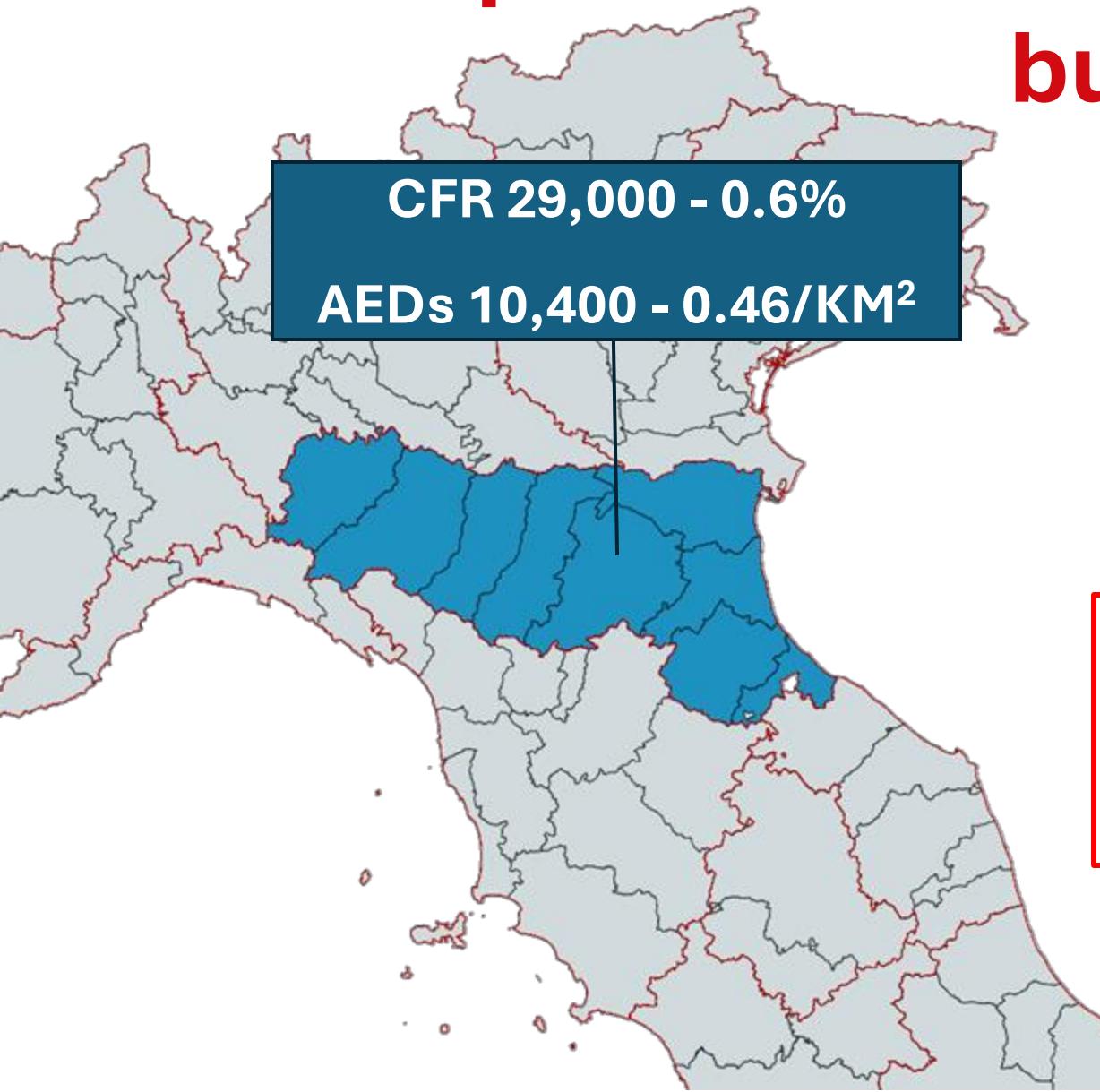
Friuli-Venezia-Giulia (marzo 2025)

Marche (Aprile 2025)

In giallo: work in progress



First responder activation systems (Italy, yes but...)



First Responders arrived before EMS in 13.4% of dispatches and delivered a shock in 0.9%



First responder activation systems and AEDs

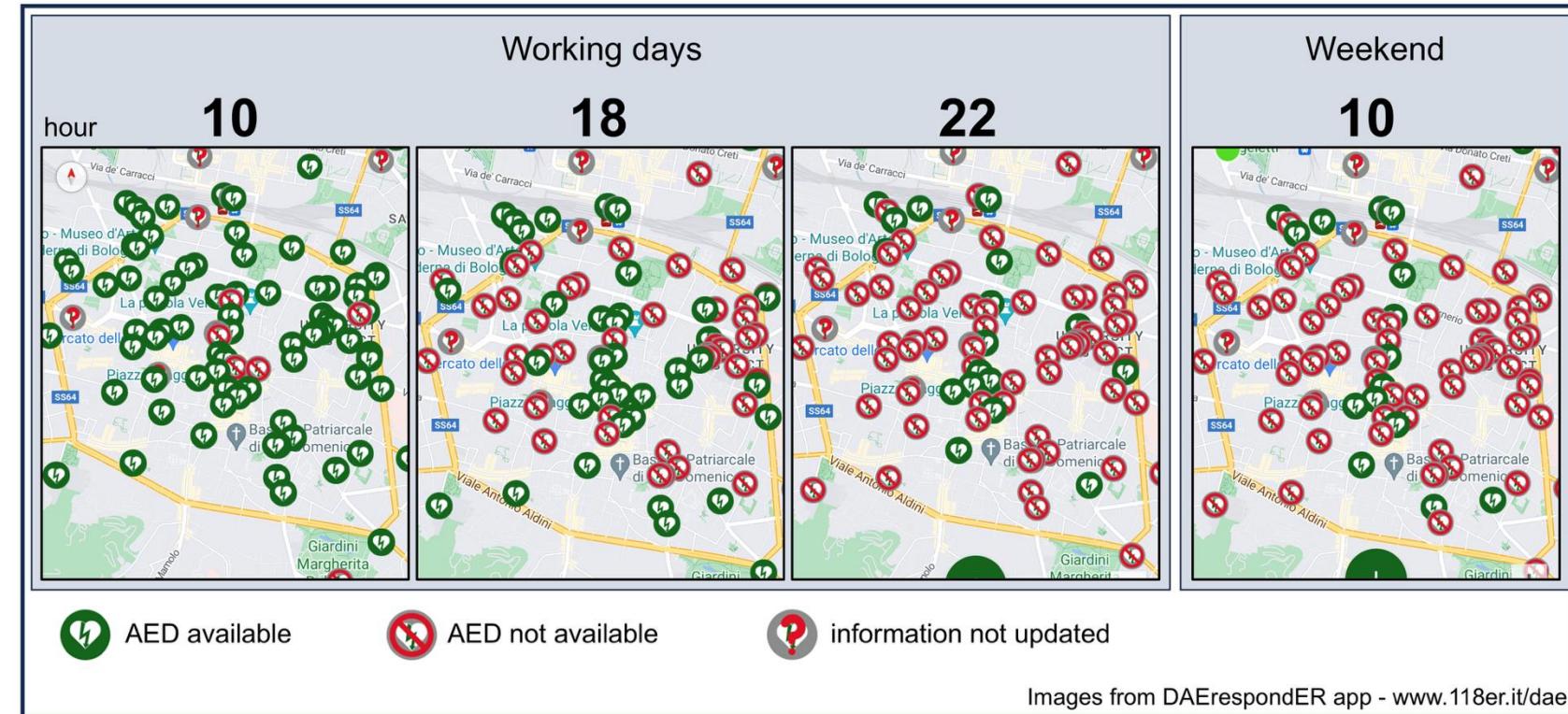
FR systems should be integrated with AED registries and provide directions to nearby

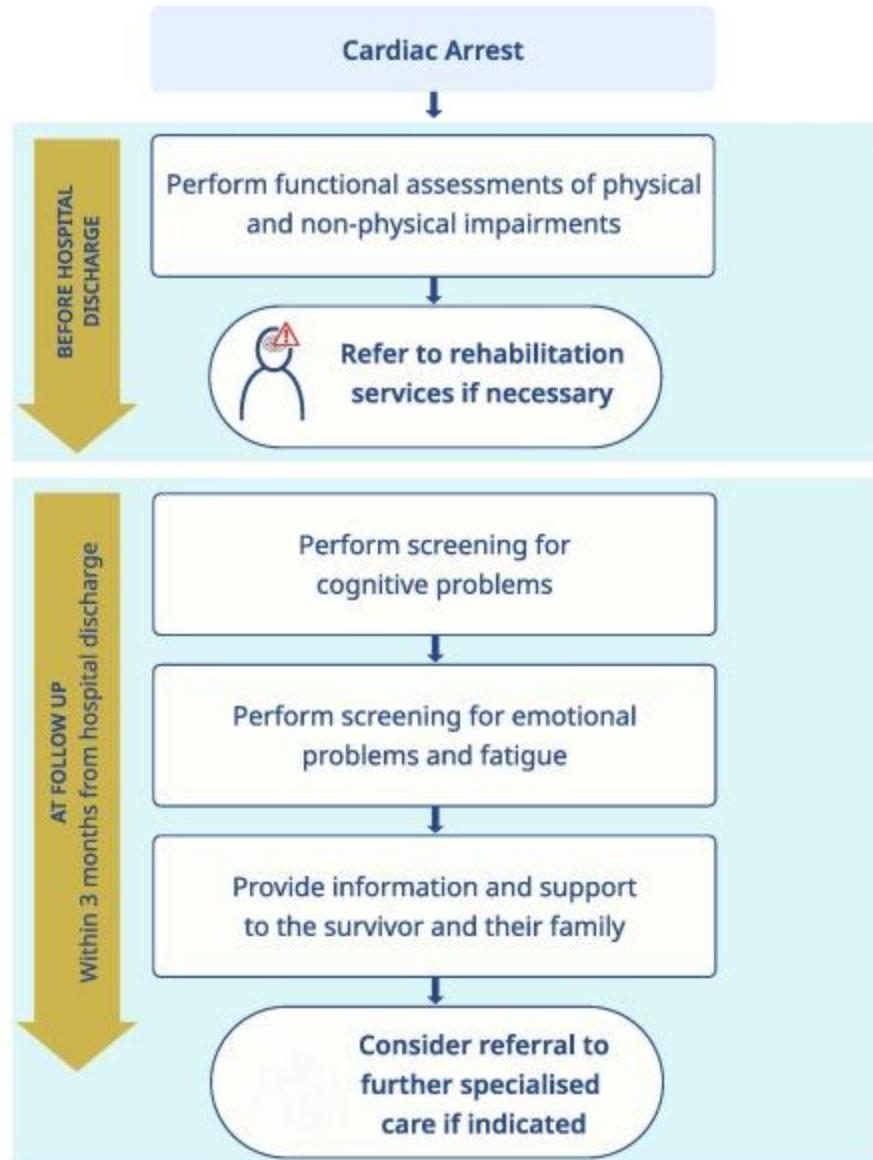


Letter to the Editor

Get that AED out! The circadian dilemma of public access defibrillation

#escilo





After dimission:

- 70% *fatigue*,
- 50% *cognitive* impairment,
- 40% *physical* limitations,
- 30% *emotional* disturbances.

Affecting **survivors** and **cosurvivors** (partner, relatives, friends, rescuers).

Support both the **identification** of needs and the **provision** of care.

Adopt a **multidisciplinary** approach.



Thank you