




St. Charles County Ambulance District

<p>About St. Charles County Ambulance District (S.C.C.A.D.) St. Charles, Missouri</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Established in 1974. • Provides emergency medical service 24 hours a day; also transfers residents of, or people being transported within, St. Charles County. • Serves a population of more than 311,000 Missourians.
<p>About Their AutoPulse Usage</p>	<p>S.C.C.A.D. currently owns four AutoPulse™ devices. Three supervisors and one lead paramedic carry the AutoPulse each shift.</p>
<p>A Recent AutoPulse Save</p>	<p>In April, Paramedics Mike Kiefer and Chris Jennings, and Supervisor Mike Hansen, responded to a sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) in Wentzville, Mo. They arrived at the residence in 47 seconds and found 47-year old Calvin Boyd pulseless and breathless. The crew used a ZOLL M Series™ defibrillator on him seven times, opened his airway, and administered drugs. They then used the AutoPulse. Within minutes, Boyd had a pulse and a blood pressure of 105/60. One week from the day of his arrest, Boyd was home. Although he remembers little about what happened, he is grateful to paramedics for saving his life.</p> <p>Boyd is the first person in St. Charles County to be saved with the AutoPulse and to walk out of the hospital neurologically intact.</p>
<p>What S.C.C.A.D Administration Says About the AutoPulse</p>	<p>“The AutoPulse is a significant device in our approach to resuscitation of the SCA victim. It performs excellent CPR. I believe that the AutoPulse can make more of an impact because of its ability to circulate blood at near-normal levels. This kind of device is helping advance the practice of resuscitation and allowing professional rescuers to be better prepared to treat SCA and, ultimately, improve survival rates.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chief Ken Koch, EMT-P</p>