

A SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT

Under federal law, employers must provide an environment that is free of hazards that might cause injury and death to workers. NSU's workplace safety initiatives support the prevention of injury and illness to staff, students, faculty and volunteers on campus. Employers, staff, and faculty are encouraged to remain engaged in setting goals around health and safety then working together as a team to provide a workplace free of known health and safety hazards. Campus safety is managed through many means including *Training, First aid, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Environmental Health and Safety initiatives, and Emergency Plans*. Report of a work-related injury/illness, a dangerous incident, or a death from a work-related incident/illness is handled in accordance to Fla. Statue 440.

Automated external defibrillators – AEDs

NSU has plans in place to respond effectively to health and safety incidents and other emergencies that might occur in the workplace, for example automated external defibrillators. AEDs are useful in saving lives. NSU invested in 72 AEDs throughout all campuses including every Student Educational Center. (AED Locations: http://www.nova.edu/publicsafety/forms/automated_external_defibrillator.pdf). This provides easy access for our CPR and AED trained personnel to assist anyone at a moment's notice. AEDs make it possible for more people (i.e. trained responders) to respond to a medical emergency where defibrillation is required.

The Office of Risk Management is proud to salute two of our heroes on campus - Anthony Iovino and Edgar Ruiz whose quick thinking and action saved a fellow employee's life. The story as recorded by the SunSentinel can be read at <http://www.sun-sentinel.com/local/broward/davie/fl-pf-lifesave-0309-20160309-story.html>



Edgar Ruiz, Jeff Heard and Anthony Iovino with the lifesaving machine. When NSU employee Jeffrey Heard suddenly collapsed, his co-workers Anthony Iovino and Edgar Ruiz jumped into action. The pair performed CPR on their co-worker until first responders arrived. Heard is presenting his co-workers with a special gift at the school. (Anna Collins) - Reprint with permission from the SunSentinel.