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Effect of implementation of new resuscitation guidelines on quality of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and survival.

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Overview: During CPR, ALS providers have been shown to deliver inadequate CPR with long intervals without chest compressions. We evaluated if quality of CPR performed by the Oslo EMS improved after implementation of the modified 2005 CPR Guidelines, and if any such improvement would result in increased survival.

Conclusions: Quality of CPR improved after implementation of the modified 2005 Guidelines with only a weak trend towards improved survival to hospital discharge.