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Bonita Springs Community Pool Received an Exceeds Standards Score on the Last Four Quarterly Ellis Audits.

Bonita Springs Community Pool exceeds safety standards.

Bonita Springs-December 8, 2010 – Bonita Springs Community Pool received an "exceeds standards" score on the last four quarterly Ellis Audits. The audits cover such areas as lifeguard evaluations, emergency evaluation; spinal, airway, in-distress, administration and supervision, facility, equipment, and environmental. **"**This is an excellent record for which the staff and pool supervisor Bill Wood deserve congratulations."- City Manager Gary Price

When Ellis comes to do an audit the Ellis employee poses as a guest. They use a hidden camera to film the pool. Then the employee announces themselve to the pool supervisor and begins a simulated drowning. The guard on duty has to respond in 10 seconds. After they announce to the staff who they are and that an audit is being done. They test the guards to do one land skill and also simulate a drowning with spinal rescue or unconscious rescue. Everything is filmed. The Ellis employee also reviews all documentation and checks all equipment. "It's a lot of training on water skills and CPR. The staff has to be on their toes while in the chair. It's a lot of diligence on their part. I'm proud that staff received an "exceeds standards" grade on the last four audits." - Pool Supervisor Bill Wood.

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