

Series 5000 – Students

1. Elementary and Secondary

D. Welfare

(1) School Medical Advisor

(b) Illness

(vi) Psychotropic Drugs

The Board of Education prohibits school personnel from recommending the use of psychotropic drugs for any child. For purposes of this policy, the term “recommend” shall mean to directly or indirectly suggest that a child should use psychotropic drugs.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, school medical staff may recommend that a child be evaluated by an appropriate medical practitioner.

Nothing in this policy shall be construed to prohibit a Planning and Placement Team from discussing with parents and/or guardians of a child the appropriateness of consultation with, or evaluation by, medical practitioners with the consent of the parents and/or guardians of a child.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

P.A. 01-124: An Act Concerning Recommendations For and Refusals of the Use of Psychotropic Drugs by Children and Utilization Review Determinations related to Mental and Nervous Conditions.

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