

ADMINISTERING MEDICATION AND MONITORING HEALTH CONDITIONS

The Governing Board believes that regular school attendance is critical to student learning and that students who need to take medication prescribed or ordered for them by their authorized health care providers should have an opportunity to participate in the educational program. (cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses) (cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)

Any medication prescribed for a student with a disability who is qualified to receive services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 shall be administered in accordance with the student's individualized education program or Section 504 services plan as applicable. (cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program) (cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

For the administration of medication to other students during school or school-related activities, the Superintendent or designee shall develop protocols which shall include options for allowing a parent/guardian to administer medication to their child at school, designate other individuals to do so on their behalf, and, with the child's authorized health care provider's approval, request the district's permission for their child to self-administer a medication or self-monitor and/or self-test for a medical condition. Such processes shall be implemented in a manner that preserves campus security, minimizes instructional interruptions, and promotes student safety and privacy. (cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders) (cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies) (cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases) (cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management) (cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs) (cf. 6116 - Classroom Interruptions)

Administration of Medication by School Personnel

Any medication prescribed by an authorized health care provider, including, but not limited to, emergency antiseizure medication for a student who suffers epileptic seizures, auto-injectable epinephrine, insulin, or glucagon, may be administered by the school nurse or other designated school personnel only when the Superintendent or designee has received written statements from both the student's parent/guardian and authorized health care provider. (Education Code 49414.7, 49423; 5 CCR 600)

When medically unlicensed school personnel are authorized by law to administer any medication to students, such as emergency antiseizure medication, auto-injectable epinephrine, insulin, or glucagon, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that school personnel designated to administer any medication receive appropriate training and, as necessary, retraining from school nurse or qualified medical personnel before any medication is administered. At a minimum, the training shall cover how and when such medication should be administered, the recognition of symptoms and treatment, emergency follow-up procedures, and the proper documentation and storage of medication. Such trained, unlicensed designated school personnel shall be supervised by, and provided with immediate communication access to, a school nurse, physician, or other appropriate individual. (Education Code 49414, 49414.5, 49414.7, 49423, 49423.1)

Emergency Medication and Opioid Overdose

The Superintendent or designee shall make naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist available for emergency medical aid to any person suffering or reasonably believed to be suffering from an opioid overdose. (Education Code 49414.3)

When available at the school site, the school nurse shall provide emergency naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist for emergency medical aid to any person exhibiting potentially life-threatening symptoms of an opioid overdose at school or a school activity. Other designated personnel who have volunteered and have received training may administer such medication when a school nurse or physician is unavailable, and shall only administer the medication by nasal spray or auto-injector (Education Code 49414.3).

Superintendent or designee shall maintain documentation of the training and ongoing supervision, as well as annual written verification of competency of other designated school personnel. (cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 4231 - Staff Development) (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

School nurses and other designated school personnel shall administer medications to students in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation and shall be afforded appropriate liability protection. (cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance) (cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens) (cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 48980 Notification at beginning of term
- 49407 Liability for treatment
- 49408 Emergency information
- 49414 Emergency epinephrine auto-injectors
- 49414.5 Providing school personnel with voluntary emergency training
- 49414.7 Emergency medical assistance: administration of epilepsy medication
- 49422-49427 Employment of medical personnel, especially:
- 49423 Administration of prescribed medication for student
- 49423.1 Inhaled asthma medication
- 49480 Continuing medication regimen; notice

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

- 2700-2837 Nursing, especially:
- 2726 Authority not conferred
- 2727 Exceptions in general

3501 Definitions

4119.2 Acquisition of epinephrine auto-injectors

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

600-611 Administering medication to students

620-627 Administration of emergency antiseizure medication by trained volunteer nonmedical school personnel

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974

1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504

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