

**RECOMMENDATION OF PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATION  
BY SCHOOL PERSONNEL**

School personnel are prohibited from recommending the use of psychotropic medications for any student. School Health staff members, classroom teachers, or other school professionals may recommend that a student be evaluated by an appropriate medical practitioner. In addition, school personnel may consult with a medical practitioner who is serving the student with the written consent of the student's parent/guardian.

For the purpose of this policy, "psychotropic medications" means those medications that are prescribed with the intention of altering mental activity or state, including, but not limited to, antipsychotic, antidepressant, and anxiolytic medication and behavior-altering medication.

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[Superintendent's Memorandum No. 54 \(August 16, 2002\)](#).

Cross Ref: JHCD Administering Medicine to Students