

Code: **JHCCE/
KBCAA**
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News/Media - HIV, AIDS or HBV

The district shall appoint a district spokesman who shall respond to media inquiries regarding rumored or identified HIV, AIDS or HBV¹ cases.

The spokesman shall stress:

- School districts are not informed of a person infected with HIV, AIDS or HBV unless the infected person or his/her parent releases the information;
- School districts, if informed, may not release the information unless the infected person or parent gives permission for such release;
- School districts may not prevent a staff member from working if he/she is able to perform his/her job responsibilities. Students have a right to continue to attend school.

The district shall ask the local health department or other health authorities to assist the district spokesman in responding to media inquiries.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

¹HIV - Human Immunodeficiency Virus ; AIDS - Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome ;
HBV - Hepatitis B Virus