

## Medical Procedures in School

Indiana law prohibits school personnel from administering medical procedures to students without a physician's order or an order from other health professionals who have prescriptive rights.

Since many procedures can be administered before and after school, parents and students at all grade levels are encouraged to administer medical procedures during non-school hours. When a student's physician determines that a medical procedure must be administered by school personnel during school hours, the procedure may be given if the student's school principal or school nurse receives specific written instructions from the student's physician or from other health professionals who have prescriptive rights and written permission from the student's parent or guardian.

School personnel are not to accept the responsibility for administering ongoing medical procedures unless the school has on file the written permission of a pupil's parent or guardian and the written order of a practitioner as required by I.C. 34-30-14-3. When necessary the school physician will review requests and confer with the appropriate medical and school personnel.

Emergency procedures/First Aid Services should first be rendered by a school nurse or trained first responder. In the event that such personnel are not available, other school personnel may provide reasonable or prudent care under Indiana law providing immunity for individuals who provide health care.

In providing medical procedures under this policy, it is the intent of the Board that school personnel will abide by mandates of existing law and rules or regulations of state or federal agencies where such rules have the force of law.

Medical procedures to be done at school will be carried out under the supervision and training of the registered nurse as required by Indiana law.

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