

## INTRODUCTION

The SCHOOL HEALTH MANUAL is intended to delineate general duties and responsibilities of school personnel involved with school health, not to be definitive policies.

Because School Nurses are an entity unto themselves, they often work in isolation from other health-related personnel. The nurses themselves felt a need for specific guidelines for themselves and for personnel on site responsible for the health of the students. The Marin School Nurse Organization has volunteered many hours in revising this manual. (This current manual is a revision of the 1996 and 2000 versions). As regulations change and further scientific information becomes available, there is a need to continuously reassess, follow-up and evaluate these guidelines for their current appropriateness.

A School Health Program provides preventative and protective services to insure that children are able to best profit from their educational experiences. It involves the cooperation of all personnel associated with students; these include administrators, secretaries, nurses, teachers, teacher aides, psychologists, speech therapists and volunteers.

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