

## **Nebulizer Treatment Protocol**

The prevention and spread of infection are at the center of decisions impacting the health and safety of all students, staff, and the community. In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other respiratory, aerosolized contagious and communicable diseases, safety measures and strategies have been implemented by the FWISD Health Services Department.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Asthma and Allergy Network, and the American Academy of Allergy and Asthma and Immunology (AAAI) recommnd removing aerosol-generating treatments such as nebulizer procedures administered during the school day. The FWISD Medical Consultants support this protocol.

Therefore, due to Medical Safety and Infection Prevention, Nebulizer Treatments will not be given on campus. FWISD Health Services recommends that all parents of students requiring nebulizer treatments contact their health care provider to switch to an inhaler or an inhaler with a chamber/ spacer attachment when appropriate. Inhalers will be administered as ordered. If the student's health care provider or parent feels the student needs a nebulizer treatment instead of an inhaler, the parent or guardian may sign the student out (early dismissal) to administer a nebulizer treatment at home/off campus.

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