

# DRUG INTERVENTION SERVICES-SCHOOL NURSE



## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our School Nurse provides direct case management services to any student who has been suspended for substance use or who is suspected of substance use and referred by school personnel, parent/guardian, or self-referral. The School Nurse offers screening and guidance for the student and their family to help navigate resources and services that may be available. The School Nurse will act as a liaison between the schools, the family and other involved agencies to help the student be successful. This program was devised by Jeffco Schools, Student Engagement office and is being implemented in our school by the School Nurse.

## WHAT IS CASE MANAGEMENT?

Our School Nurse partners with student and family in accessing substance abuse treatment options and other related resources and services that will help the student thrive academically and socially. The nurse will also help navigate funding for initial screenings, education classes, and higher levels of treatment for eligible students.

## WHAT STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THESE SERVICES?

Students who have committed a violation of Jeffco Schools drug or alcohol policy conduct code. Students who have indicated that they are using drugs and alcohol and would like support. Students can also be referred by school staff, family members and other professionals.

## HOW TO GET CONNECTED:

Parents/guardians of students who are suspended for a drug or alcohol related violations will be contacted by the School Nurse to schedule an initial meeting or school staff, parent/guardian or students may contact the School Nurse directly.



## HOW ARE THESE SERVICES FUNDED?

Funding for case management is free and provided through Jeffco's School Health Professionals Grant. Eligible students accessing marijuana related services and treatment may be funded through Colorado Senate Bill 215. Insurance funding may be accessed for eligible students. Funding is determined on a case by case basis.

## OUR SCHOOL NURSE WILL...

- Connect with the family of a recently suspended/expelled/referred student.
- Assess the student for risk factors and any indication of substance abuse.
- Connect the family to education or treatment options.
- Remain in contact with the family for a minimum of 3 months to ensure success.
- Collaborate with appropriate school staff in supporting the student and family.
- Meet with the student, or at times facilitate a school support person to meet with the student, to support academic performance, peer relationships, refusal skills, pro-social opportunities, etc.
- Foster positive connections to healthy adults and activities.





