

Students

ADMINISTERING MEDICATION AND MONITORING HEALTH CONDITIONS

The Governing Board recognizes that some students may need to take medication prescribed by a health care provider during the school day in order to be able to attend school. The Superintendent or designee shall develop processes for the administration of medication to such students by school personnel.

(cf. 5141.24 – Specialized Health Care Services)
(cf. 6159 – Individualized Education Program)

When the Superintendent or designee has received written statements from a student's authorized health care provider and parent/guardian, prescribed medication may be administered by the school nurse or other designated personnel. (Education Code 49423; 5 CCR 600)

(cf. 3530 - Insurance Management)

School staff who administer medication to students, including anaphylactic injections, shall receive training from qualified medical personnel on how such medication should be administered as well as training in the proper documentation and storage of the medication. Staff authorized to administer the medication shall do so in accordance with administrative regulations and shall be afforded appropriate liability protection.

If the parent/guardian so chooses, he/she may administer the medication to his/her child. In addition, the parent/guardian may designate another individual who is not a school employee to administer the medication to the student.

Upon written request by the parent/guardian and with the approval of the student's authorized health care provider, a student with medical condition that requires frequent monitoring, testing, or treatment may be allowed to self administer, self-monitor, or self-test. The student shall observe universal precautions in the handling of blood and bodily fluids.

(cf. 5141 – Health Care and Emergencies)
(cf. 5141.23 – Infectious Disease Prevention)

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Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 48980 Notification at beginning of term
- 49407 Liability for treatment
- 49408 Emergency information
- 49414 Emergency epinephrine auto-injectors
- 49414.5 Providing school personnel with voluntary emergency training
- 49423 Administration of prescribed medication for student
- 49423.5 Specialized health care services
- 49426 School nurses
- 49480 Continuing medication regimen; notice

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE

- 2700-2837 Nursing, especially:
- 2726 Authority not conferred
- 2727 Exceptions in general

Management Resources:

NATIONAL DIABETES EDUCATION PROGRAM PUBLICATIONS

Helping the Student with Diabetes Succeed: A Guide for School Personnel, June 2003

WEB SITES

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

Policy

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