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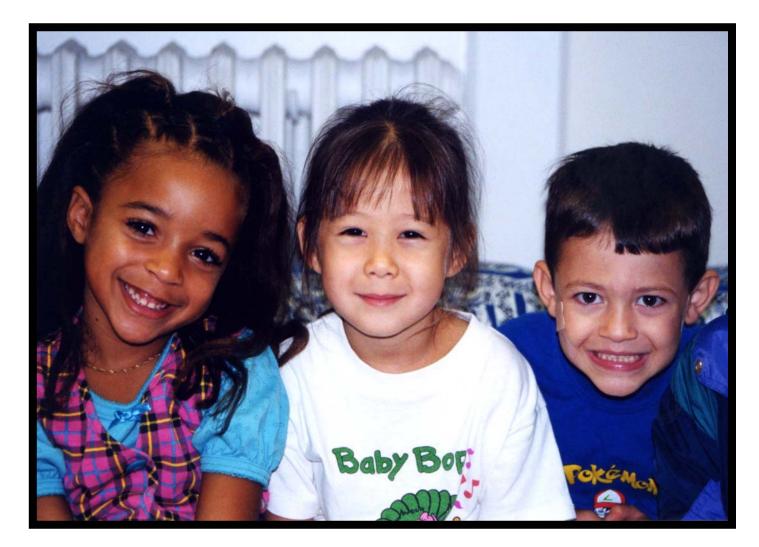
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# **DoDEA School Health Services Guide**



## **Promoting Health and Wellness**

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#### FOREWORD

The mission of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) is to provide a quality education for eligible dependents of Department of Defense (DoD) military and civilian employees stationed on or near military bases/posts both overseas and in various states. The families and children served undergo frequent transitions that include reassignments, extended deployments, demanding work hours, prolonged periods in the field, and other unique demands that tax their cohesiveness and wellbeing. It is imperative that there be a comprehensive DoDEA health services program that promotes optimal physical, emotional, intellectual, and social health.

DoDEA encourages each administrator to coordinate with the school nurse to provide a school health services program that reflects the high standards of the National Association of School Nurses (NASN). NASN defines school nursing as "a specialized practice of professional nursing that advances the well being, academic success, and life-long achievement of students. To that end, school nurses facilitate positive student responses to normal development; promote health and safety; intervene with actual and potential health problems; provide case management services; and actively collaborate with others to build student and family capacity for adaptation, self management, self advocacy, and learning."

This *School Health Services Guide* provides administrative guidance for the delivery of high-quality school nursing services for DoDEA students. This guide provides direction for a consistent program while allowing flexibility at the school level.

In concert with Goal 1 (Highest Student Achievement) and Goal 4 (Network of Partnerships Promoting Achievement) of the DoDEA Strategic Plan for 2001–2006, school nurses work in partnership with the military medical commands and parents to ensure that the health needs of students are met. This includes developing lifelong strategies for healthy living to ensure the highest student achievement attainable. The School Health Services Program described in this guide is designed to help all students succeed in school, work, and life. The School Health Services Program recognizes the importance of diversity as reflected in our schools and acknowledges that individual differences strengthen both school operations and society in general.

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#### **Overview of the School Health Services Program**

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#### A.1 Components of the School Health Services Program

All schools in DoDEA shall have, as an integral part of the education program, a health services program managed by a school nurse. The School Health Services Program is not meant to take the place of health care provided by the family or other community agencies. Through school health programs, children and families can develop the knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors necessary to remain healthy and to perform well in school. The DoDEA School Health Services Program includes the following elements:

- Specific written emergency procedures coordinated with available local medical resources
- Illness and accident services with referral to appropriate community agencies
- Health assessment including vision, hearing, scoliosis, and development screening
- Safe administration, documentation, and monitoring of medications needed by students during the school day
- Health assessment for placement and monitoring of students with disabilities
- Early identification of health problems and intervention plans
- Development of Individual Health Plans (IHPs) for students with identified health problems such as asthma, diabetes, allergy to insect stings, etc.
- Communicable disease control including an immunization program that ensures compliance with the DoDEA and local immunization requirements, including those of the states where Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools (DDESS) are located
- Health counseling and crisis intervention
- Consultation, collaboration, and liaison services with local health care facilities
- Health education including wellness promotion and disease prevention for groups and individuals
- Documentation of health services provided and, where needed, individual Emergency Care Plans (ECPs)

#### A.2 Functions of the School Nurse

Provides health consultation and resource services.

- **1.1** Provides consultation to students.
  - **1.1.1** Evaluates and interprets health information and developmental needs.
  - **1.1.2** Provides guidance and information for health-related problem solving.
  - **1.1.3** Makes referrals as indicated.
  - **1.1.4** Follows up on consultations and referrals.
- **1.2** Provides consultation to teachers.
  - **1.2.1** Identifies students with special health and developmental needs.
  - **1.2.2** Interprets student health and developmental needs.

- **1.2.3** Collaborates with teacher on health education needs for program enrichment.
- **1.2.4** Assists teacher with health education resources to include an awareness of health careers.
- **1.3** Provides consultation to parents.
  - **1.3.1** Interprets child's health and developmental needs to parents.
  - **1.3.2** Refers parents to health resources available to meet the student's assessed needs.
  - **1.3.3** Provides health information.
  - **1.3.4** Coordinates with community services to meet the student's health and developmental needs.
- **1.4** Provides consultation to school administrators.
  - **1.4.1** Identifies school health needs.
  - **1.4.2** Consults on implementation of health screening and appraisal programs.
  - **1.4.3** Reviews health policies and regulations with administration.
- **2.0** Coordinates health screening programs for vision, hearing, dental health, scoliosis, blood pressure, height and weight.
- **2.1** Schedules appropriate screening resources.
- **2.2** Implements screening procedures.
- **2.3** Identifies students with specific needs.
- **2.4** Refers students with identified problems.
- **2.5** Follows up on referrals as needed.
- **3.0** Participates in the identification of students with special needs.
- **3.1** Coordinates health care plans with appropriate resources.
- **3.2** Serves as a member of the Child Study Committee (CSC).
- **3.3** Provides or coordinates health-related services as needed as part of a student's IEP.
- **3.4** Provides assistance to students with chronic health problems such as diabetes, asthma, and epilepsy.

- **3.5** Communicates health-related findings and makes recommendations to faculty for modifications of the student's educational program as needed.
- **4.0** Maintains current individual health data.
- **4.1** Maintains a permanent school health record for each student.
- **4.2** Ensures that written reports of school-related student accidents/injuries are prepared and processed.
- **4.3** Maintains a nursing record of significant health room visits and medication administration.
- **4.4** Maintains a current health conditions list.
- **5.0** Provides illness and injury services.
- **5.1** Provides a written plan for dealing with medical emergencies and reviews the plan with staff.
- **5.2** Maintains medical supplies for emergency care.
- **5.3** Provides classroom teachers with first aid supplies and appropriate instructions for minor injuries.
- **5.4** Demonstrates skill in caring for the ill and injured, including assessment and referral as needed.
- **6.0** Promotes a healthy environment.
- **6.1** Identifies and reports undesirable health conditions throughout school campus to school administration.
- **6.2** Recommends alterations to environment to improve the quality of health in the school setting.
- **6.3** Develops and implements a plan for safe administration of medications.
- **6.4** Coordinates communicable disease screening and referrals as needed.
- **6.5** Coordinates the screening of student immunization records for compliance with DoD immunization policy (DoD Instruction 6205.1 or the state immunization policy in DDESS) with the military medical treatment facility.

- **7.0** Provides liaison services between the school, the home, community agencies, and health personnel.
- **7.1** Supports school partnerships with community organizations, advisory boards, and health care providers as needed.
- **7.2** Receives, makes, and coordinates referrals to and from appropriate health care providers in the community.
- **7.3** Promotes awareness of school health needs to ensure that the needs of the school population are considered in the community's overall health planning.
- **7.4** Facilitates communication of needs and coordinates services.
- **7.5** Participates on the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT).
- **8.0** Responds to professional responsibilities.
- **8.1** Maintains current state licensure.
- **8.2** Maintains certification requirements.
- **8.3** Participates in professional development activities and incorporates new learning into practice.
- **8.4** Reviews current professional literature.
- **9.0** Participates in evaluation and research activities to improve school nursing services.

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#### **B.1** Introduction

The following manuals, regulations, and memorandums provide guidelines within the framework of the School Health Services Program. They may be found in various locations. DoDEA regulations and manuals are available from the school administrator or by accessing the World Wide Web at the DoDEA home page, <u>www.odedodea.edu</u>. A search is made from the home page using a key word or document number. The "pdf" file number is included as a cross-reference when accessing the DoDEA home page.

Regulations for the Army and the Air Force are also available at the following Web sites: <u>www.army.mil</u> or <u>www.af.mil</u>.

This list represents the most current policies available at the time of printing.

Abbreviations: M = Manual, I = Instruction, R = Regulation

#### **B.2 Child Abuse**

2050.3 (I) (00046.pdf)	Institutional Child Abuse
2050.9 (R) (00047.pdf)	Family Advocacy Program Process and Procedures
	for Reporting Incidents of Suspected Child Abuse and
	Neglect/Memorandum for DoDEA Managers and Supervisors
	on Child Abuse Reporting

#### **B.3 Health Education**

2700.1(R) (00101.pdf)	Comprehensive School Health, Physical Education,
	and Recreation Programs
2700.3 (M)	DoDEA Health Education Curriculum and Assessment
	Standards (1999)
2720.3 (M)	Drug Education Program
2720.4 (M)	Drug Education Guide, K–6
2720.5 (M)	Drug Education Guide, 7–12

#### **B.4 Health and Safety**

4800.1 (R) (00140.pdf)	DoDEA Safety Program
1015.5 (00004.pdf)	DoD Student Meal Program
4800.5 (R)	Blood-Borne Pathogen Exposure Control Program
1342.6 (M) (00022.pdf)	DoD Administrative and Logistic Responsibilities for DoD
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2720.1 (R)	First Aid and Emergency Care
<b>B.5</b> Special Education	
1342.12 (I)	Provision of Early Intervention and Special Education Services
2500.13 (M)	Special Education Procedural Guide
1010.13 (I)	Provision of Medically Related Services to Children
2500.1 (R)	DoDDS Home or Hospital Instructional Services
2500.14 (M)	Special Education Goals and Objectives
2500.8 (M)	Monitoring Procedures for Special Education Programs and Services for Handicapped Students
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<del>6205.1-(I)</del>	Immunizations-Requirements for DoD-Dependent-Schools or State Immunization Certificate for DDESS-

### **B.7** Support from Local Medical Treatment Facilities

Policy Manual 1342.6	Medical Support for the Department of Defense Education
	Activity (DoDEA) Interscholastic Athletic Program

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#### C.1 Introduction

School nursing is a specialty practice of professional nursing serving students, families, and staff within the educational setting. A DoDEA goal of school nursing, consistent with the goals of the National Association of School Nursing (NASN), is to advance "the well being, academic success, and life-long achievement of students." School nurses understand the professional and legal implications of providing health care within the educational arena. Each school health office has a set of school nurse reference books for guidance. See Section I of this guide for a list of these references.

#### C.2 Ethics

The American Nurses Association (ANA) Code of Ethics for Nurses outlines the ethical standards for professional nursing practice. This code provides guidelines for making ethical nursing decisions and outlines the nurse's responsibility to his or her clients and to the profession of nursing. It includes the obligation to protect clients and the public from incompetent, unethical, or illegal practice of nursing. The code is available in many nursing publications and on the ANA Web site at <a href="http://www.ana.org/ethics/code/ethicscode150.htm">http://www.ana.org/ethics/code/ethicscode150.htm</a>.

The Scope and Standards of Professional School Nursing Practice of the National Association of School Nurses provide direction for school nursing practice and a framework for evaluation. The purpose is to maintain and improve the quality of school nursing services. These standards of practice may be ordered from NASN through their Web site, <u>http://www.nasn.org/</u>. The Web site also contains NASN position statements and other publications that help clarify and define the role of nurses in the school setting. Many of the reference materials listed in Section I are NASN materials. School nurses may also find resource materials and professional development opportunities from their state school nurse affiliate of NASN. The Overseas School Health Nurses Association (OSHNA) is a state affiliate of NASN for school nurses working outside of the USA.

Nurses should be aware of and follow the nurse practice act of the state in which they are licensed.

#### **Protection of Student Health Records**

#### I. Purpose

DoDEA recognizes that student health records are distinct from other educational records. As with the issues surrounding educational records, DoDEA also recognizes its responsibility in regard to the collection, maintenance, and dissemination of student health records and the protection of the privacy rights of students as governed by the Privacy Act, the Freedom of Information Act, and the Records Act.

#### II. General Guidelines

The following guidelines regarding the protection and privacy of parents and students are consistent with the requirements of the Privacy Act. Under this provision, a student's health records are classified as private data and as such will be distributed only to parties with a need-to-know basis.

#### III. Definitions

#### A. Student Health Records

Student health records should include the following (if applicable):

- 1. Student health history completed by parents at time of initial registration (DD Form 120.1 Revised May 2002)
- 2. Mandated immunizations
- 3. Health and physical assessment data
- 4. Health screenings for vision, hearing, and scoliosis; injury reports
- 5. Health assessments and other evaluation reports related to eligibility for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 6. Records for school medication, including original signed orders from a physician, written consent from the parent and/or guardian to administer medication, and medication logs for both routine and as-needed medications
- 7. Physicians' orders, correspondence, evaluation reports, copies of treatment records, institutional or agency records, and discharge summaries from outside health care providers or hospitals that have been released by parents and/or guardians to assist in planning individualized school health care or programs
- 8. Specialized assessments such as neurologic tests
- Individualized emergency care plans for students with special health care needs, including routine and emergency interventions and methods for evaluating student outcomes
- 10. Health-related goals and objectives or an Individual Health Plan (IHP) contained within a student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) for students whose health care conditions affect their educational needs.

#### B. Private Data

For the purposes herein, student health records are records that are classified as private data on individuals by federal law and are generally accessible only to the student who is the subject of the data and the student's parent if the student has not achieved the age of majority as determined by the local military regulations. Private records may not be released without the written consent of the parent or the eligible student except as authorized by published routine uses. This restriction applies to *any*  type of release including written, spoken, or electronic transfer of student health information.

IV. Protecting Private Student Health Information

Students and their families have a right to expect that student health information will be kept private and only information necessary to provide appropriate health, safety, and educational interests will be shared. Ethical responsibilities that will govern this include the following:

- A. The responsibility to respect privacy is an underlying fundamental right. This right includes the expectation that private data will not be disclosed without explicit permission unless disclosure serves a compelling purpose or is required by law.
- B. The responsibility to do no harm often protects the rights of the student's individual freedom and autonomy when weighed against a parent's right to know. Can the disclosure be justified for the student's benefit? Will a decision to disclose do less harm to the individual than not disclosing?
- C. Some instances in which nonconsensual disclosure is required occur when the cases include the following:
  - 1. Suspected child abuse
  - 2. Self-injury or suicide
  - 3. The duty to warn of possible harm to another person
- V. Guidelines for Disclosure of Student Health Information
  - A. Principal or designee(s) will administer this program in each building.
  - B. The disclosure of a student's health records will be justified when it serves the best interests of the student's health and safety.
  - C. If written informed consent has not been secured, health information will be shared based on considering what is in the best interest of the student's health, safety, and education.
  - D. Not all health information needs to be shared with all personnel. A sense of ethical responsibility, professional judgment, and knowledge will be considered in sharing health information according to DoDEA policy to include confidential list of students' health problems should only be circulated to personnel who have a legitimate need to know.
  - E. The Individual Health Plan will be considered private information. Staff who receive the plan will be directed by the administration through the school nurse not to share it with others.

Legal References:

The Privacy Act (5 USC 552a)

Cross-References:

The National Task Force on Confidential Student Health Information. (2000). *Guidelines for Protecting Confidential Student Health Information,* Kent, Ohio: The American School Health Association.

#### C.3 Regulation of Nursing Practice

The school nurse in DoDEA is a licensed nurse whose ability to practice nursing and delegate care is governed by laws and regulations of the state where the nurse is licensed at the time of appointment. The school nurse must maintain an active license that meets licensure requirements of the state which may include continuing education units or DoDDS licensure, as appropriate. DDESS nurses must be aware of and follow the nursing practice act of the state in which they are licensed. DoDDS requires six undergraduate or graduate credits every six years to maintain a license.

#### C.4 Delegation of Nursing Care

Delegation of nursing care in the school setting is sometimes necessary, especially in schools without a full-time nurse. Care may be delegated to school secretaries, clerks, and paraprofessionals, or to teachers who give medications on a field trip. The school nurse must evaluate which nursing procedures can be safely delegated and assess the competence of the employee designated to provide the service. The school nurse must train and supervise the health aide, clerk, or other unlicensed employee carrying out the task. Supervision of the task is defined as the active process of directing, guiding, and influencing the outcome of the unlicensed person's performance of the health-related service. Supervision can be on-site with the nurse physically being present or off-site with the nurse providing direction through various means of written and verbal communication.

School nurses must provide clear written instructions for substitutes when no licensed nurse substitute is available. The principal will designate the person responsible for health services in the absence of the nurse. The principal will provide the opportunity for personnel to pursue first aid and CPR certification as outlined in the DoDEA First Aid and Emergency Care Regulation (2720.1). The school nurse shall prepare a folder of information and review procedures with any unlicensed personnel who will provide health-related services in the nurse's absence. The school nurse shall provide for the nurse substitute a place to document the medications, as well as training deemed appropriate for the unlicensed assistant.

#### C.5 Liability and Malpractice Protection

#### What to Do in the Event of a Lawsuit or the Receipt of a Subpoena or Summons, a Claim, Interrogatories, or Other Legal Papers

Lawsuits are initiated when the plaintiff serves a notice on the defendant that a legal action has been filed with a court. An employee of the DoDEA could be served with notice of such a lawsuit naming the employee as a defendant. As a general rule, the United States will be substituted for the DoDEA employee as the party defendant if the lawsuit alleges acts or omissions within the scope of the DoDEA employee's official duties and the United States is also named as a defendant in the lawsuit.

An employee could also be served with a subpoena or other summons to appear as a witness in a case in which the employee is not a named as the defendant. A subpoena could place the employee in a position of testifying in a case in a manner that violates DoD policy on the release of information in litigation.

It is imperative that DoDEA employees immediately contact the DoDEA Office of General Counsel upon receipt of a lawsuit, a summons or subpoena, a claim or interrogatories, or any legal process that relates to their official duties. The service of such legal documents starts the clock running on deadlines the employee must meet to ensure the protection of his or her legal rights, as well as those of the United States. Prompt legal guidance is critical to preparing an appropriate defense.

When a lawsuit is filed against a DoDEA employee in his or her personal capacity but the lawsuit alleges facts that are related to the employee's duties, the DoDEA Office of General Counsel will counsel the employee to ensure that he or she understands his or her rights and the procedures related to the lawsuit. The DoDEA General Counsel will help the employee prepare paperwork asking the U.S. Department of Justice (DoJ) to assist him or her in the litigation.

Every individual defendant who desires DoJ representation must request it in writing. DoJ representation is neither automatic nor compulsory; federal employees are free to retain counsel of their choice at their own expense. The DoDEA General Counsel will require an employee seeking DoJ assistance to produce a request for legal representation and a copy of the summons and complaint or other legal papers. The DoDEA General Counsel will forward the employee's request for assistance with all available factual information to the DoJ with a recommendation as to whether representation should be provided.

The DoDEA General Counsel, initially, and then the DoJ will determine whether DoJ representation is appropriate based upon a consideration as to whether the employee's actions giving rise to the suit reasonably appear to have been performed within the

scope of his or her federal employment, and that it is in the interests of the United States to provide the requested representation. See 28 CFR § 50.15(a).

When the United States is also named as a party defendant, it may seek the dismissal of the lawsuit against the individual employee and seek to substitute the United States as the sole party defendant. Alternatively, if the DoJ determines that the employee's conduct is within the scope of official duties and that representation serves the interests of the United States, it may provide representation for the individual.

DoJ will not provide representation if the conduct is outside the scope of the employee's official duties and not in the interests of the United States. DoJ representation is generally not available in a federal criminal proceeding or investigation or in a civil case if the employee is the subject of a federal criminal investigation concerning the act or acts for which he or she seeks representation.

If the DoJ agrees to provide representation for an individual in a legal action, it will impose conditions on that representation. The DoJ provides a list of terms and conditions of representation. See 28 CFR § 50.15(a). Upon formal approval of representation, the DoJ litigating attorney will ask the DoDEA employee to execute a Form 399 that describes the limitations of DoJ representation so that the client may be fully informed before he or she enters into an attorney-client relationship with the litigating attorney.

The most significant condition of DoJ representation is that if the interests of the United States and those of the individual should become different during the course of the litigation, the Department of Justice may terminate its representation of the individual. This is a relatively rare event, because of the inquiries made before the decision is made to provide representation. However, it has been known to occur. It could arise in the event of an appeal should the Solicitor General determine that the assertion of a position on appeal conflicts with the interests of the United States. Should the interests of the United States diverge from those of the individual defendant, the DoJ will notify the DoDEA employee of that determination and that it intends to cease representation of that individual.

The Agency is not aware of any judgments rendered against individual DoDEA employees arising from work-related concerns. Nevertheless, an employee who remains a named party defendant in the lawsuit, regardless of whether he or she is represented by the DoJ, is personally responsible for the satisfaction of a judgment rendered solely against the employee. There is no right to compel indemnification from the United States or any agency thereof, such as the Department of Defense, in the event of an adverse judgment. DoDEA employees concerned about their exposure to possible personal liability may wish to obtain professional liability insurance. When purchasing professional liability insurance, the nurse should ensure that the carrier will cover nursing practice in the employment locality. Where multiple defendants make representation by a single attorney impossible, retention of private counsel at government expense may be authorized, provided the scope and interest criteria have been satisfied and funds are available. See 28 C.F.R. § 50.15(a)(10) and 50.16.

#### C.6 Consent for Health Services

When the sponsor enrolls the student in a DoDEA school, he or she gives consent for routine school health services by signing Registration Form 600 or the appropriate form used for DDESS. Although the parent has already consented to services at registration, it is recommended that the school nurse inform parents of schoolwide screening through parent newsletters or notes to the parent. The consent obtained at registration also covers care provided for medical emergencies. An emergency would include anything that requires prompt treatment and not just a condition that is life threatening. All reasonable efforts should be made to find and locate at least one parent when emergency treatment is necessary.

Special treatments and medications are not considered routine health services. These procedures require additional consent forms described in Section F of this guide. Sample consent forms are available in Section H. Additional consent forms such as a medical power of attorney are recommended for field trips and sports. See Section H for these forms.

The school nurse should follow local military regulations regarding the age of consent for adolescents. See additional information on adolescent health issues in Section F.11 of this guide.

#### C.7 Confidentiality

Nurses and educators are bound by both ethical and legal principles regarding the release of confidential health information. Student health information can be oral, written, or transmitted electronically. Students and their families have a right to expect that student health information will be kept confidential and be shared only with those who have a "need to know" in order to provide appropriate health services. School nurses should obtain permission from parents to share medical information prior to sharing the information with teachers. In the case of an adolescent, the nurse may need permission from the student for disclosure.

The Privacy Act allows parents access to their children's school records and prohibits schools from disclosing confidential student information. It limits disclosures to those that are consensual and authorized by published routine uses.

In certain circumstances the responsibility to disclose confidential information clearly outweighs the right to privacy. Suspected child abuse is one example in which

disclosure is mandatory. The nurse must also disclose confidential information when a "duty to warn" exists. Such cases involve immediate and serious danger such as threats of homicide, suicide, or self-injury.

#### C.8 Documentation and Record Keeping

Maintaining accurate health records is not only a professional obligation but also a DoDEA requirement. School health records include the following: a student's health history, including mandated immunizations; health assessment data; health screening such as vision, hearing, scoliosis, and blood pressure; injury reports; incident reports; health assessments and other evaluation reports related to the CSC; referrals for suspected child abuse; consent forms for medication, and medication administration records.

According to DoDEA OSD 1303-02 Health Records Management, student health records, immunization records, parental permission forms, screening results, sports physicals, physician referrals, medication consent forms, and copies of accident reports are placed in the student record files (1903-01 and 1904-01) upon the transfer, withdrawal, or death of the student. Copies of health records may be hand-carried by a parent to a new school or mailed to the school with consent from the parent authorizing release of the records to the new school.

Other records used in the operation of the school health office, such as temporary health room passes and cards, may be shredded when they are no longer needed. The nurse should also shred any personal "memory jogger" notes as soon as pertinent information is entered into the school health record. The National Task Force on Confidential Student Health Information discourages the use of chronological logs with multiple student names for recording medications and health office visits. Under the Privacy Act parents have access to their children's records but not to those of other students. Best practice calls for the use of individual cards, paper files, or computer records.

DoDEA guidelines for storing, transferring, and deleting electronic health records will be released in a separate computer user's manual.

#### C.9 Child Abuse Reporting

All educators are under the obligation to report any suspected cases of child abuse and neglect, whether originating at school or in the home. This obligation is imposed by statute and by DoDEA. Failure to meet this duty may result in disciplinary or performance-related actions against the educator. Federal law attaches criminal penalties for refusing to report. The host nation may also impose criminal or civil penalties for failure to report a crime. School nurses should help provide faculty and staff with an annual inservice session to help them recognize and report suspected child abuse and neglect. Educators and staff may come to the school nurse for help when they are not sure if they have sufficient information to reasonably suspect an incident of child abuse, but all suspected child abuse must be reported to the proper military representatives, using established reporting procedures. In talking to a student about possible abuse, the nurse should not continue questioning the student once there are sufficient facts to reasonably suspect child abuse. The nurse should immediately contact the appropriate family advocacy program official with the facts. Each military community will provide the name and phone number of this point of contact. The school nurse should also inform his or her supervisor that the report was made. Good nursing practice also dictates that the school nurses follow up on the suspected child abuse referrals. See Section F.7 of this guide for more information about the school nurse's role in child abuse. Child abuse must be reported according to established reporting procedures.

#### C.10 Laws Relating to Special Education

To meet the needs of special education students, it is important for the school nurse to understand relevant federal education laws. Most significant are the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and DODI 1342.12, "Provision of Early Intervention and Special Education Services to Eligible DoD Dependents." IDEA requires free, appropriate education in the least restrictive environment for students who qualify as disabled under the law. Students are evaluated for disabilities that significantly interfere with learning. Disabilities include mental retardation, hearing impairment, speech or language impairments, visual impairments, serious emotional disturbance, orthopedic impairments, autism, traumatic brain injury, other health impairments, or specific learning disabilities. School nurses are part of the multidisciplinary evaluation team.

Each school must make an affirmative effort to identify children who need services. The school nurse helps with health assessment and coordinates with the medical facility for medical diagnostic evaluation and treatment.

Monitoring and compliance plans under IDEA and DoDEA are mandatory. Students must be evaluated for the need for related services such as counseling, speech therapy, physical therapy, and school health services. The related services are documented on the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP). Nursing services may be listed on the IEP as a related service. Parents have the right to appeal their child's evaluation, placement, or provisions in the IEP.

Although school nurses may not be designated to provide direct services in every case, they are responsible for completing health assessments, participating in decisions about the student's health and safety needs in school, recommending appropriate accommodations to the school team, developing plans, providing consultation to other team members, and, when necessary, training an unlicensed employee and supervising health-related services done by that employee. Section F.8 of this guide contains more information about the nurse's role on the Case Study Committee (CSC).

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This manual replaces Manual 2942.0

Child Abuse Regulation

#### **SECTION D**

#### Administration of the School Health Services Program

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#### **D.1** Health Office Equipment and Supplies<sup>1</sup>

The health office serves as a functional area to meet the health and first aid needs of students and staff. Procurement of supplies varies from school to school. The principal, school supply clerk, and supporting military treatment facility are the usual sources of health office equipment and supplies.

A school health office may include the following equipment:

- Locked storage cupboards for supplies, equipment, and medication
- File cabinets with locks
- Cot
- Refrigerator with freezer large enough for ice packs
- Vision screening equipment for appropriate grade level(s), such as Snellen symbol chart for elementary, Titmus for high school
- Audiometer
- Tympanometer
- Otoscope
- Electronic thermometer
- Consumable medical supplies (see list below)
- Stethoscope
- Sphygmomanometer (with adult and child cuff sizes)
- Weight scale with height bar
- Wheelchair
- Crutches
- Reflex hammer
- Room divider or screen

Suggested consumable supplies for the health office include but are not limited to the following:

- Adhesive tape
- Alcohol pads
- Antiseptic for wound care
- Applicators (sterile/nonsterile)
- Aromatic spirits of ammonia
- Band-Aids
- Disposable heating pads
- Flashlight
- Gauze pads (2x2, 4x4, sterile/nonsterile)
- Ice packs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ref: DoD 1342.6-M-1, 1995 Administrative and Logistic Responsibilities for DoDDS

- Safety pins in assorted sizes
- Saline, sterile
- Scissors
- Disinfectant solution for cleaning
- Splints: wooden, metal (finger)
- Kerlix or Ace wrap
- Tongue depressors
- Tweezers
- Cot paper
- Disposable gloves
- Sharps container
- Blood-borne pathogens clean-up kit
- Field trip first aid kits

#### D.2 The School Year at a Glance

#### **Opening of School**

At the beginning of the school year it is recommended the school nurse do the following:

- Participate in and present at faculty meetings. This is an excellent opportunity to disseminate information and explore faculty needs.
- Meet with administrators to discuss scheduling meetings and methods of communication.
- Obtain class lists from the school office.
- Create a confidential list of students' health problems. Information that could affect the student's health, academic progress, or behavior in the school setting is to be shared with staff members who have a need to know. Contact sponsors for additional information as needed.
- Review and update immunization records to meet current DoDEA and local requirements. (Reference DoDEA instruction-6205-1)
- Establish a working relationship with the military treatment facility in coordination with the principal.
- Request Standing Orders from the military treatment facility.
- Collaborate with district school nurses on district policies and procedures.
- Create or update a school nurse substitute folder.
- Check medical supplies and anticipate medical and first aid needs. Check pharmaceuticals and supplies for expiration dates.
- Create a plan for medication administration. Contact parents of students needing medications when necessary.
- Restock and redistribute first aid kits to classrooms, laboratories, shops, main office, etc.

- Inform new staff members about health service program and first aid procedures.
- Obtain a supply of forms to be used during the school year. (See Section H: Sample Forms)
- Introduce parents to the School Health Services Program.

#### Suggested Health Services Monthly Schedule

Each school nurse will need to adjust his or her schedule to accommodate the individual needs of the school.

#### HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM MONTHLY SCHEDULE (Sample)

August	Registration Opening of school activities (see previous list)
September	Review of records Kindergarten screening Vision screening Children's Eye Health and Safety Month National Pediculosis Prevention Month Bike/bus/walking-to-school safety
October	Hearing screening Safety programs Fire Prevention Week Child Health Month Healthy Lung Month
November	Great American Smoke-Out Red Ribbon Week Drug Education
December	Re-screenings World AIDS Day Safe Toys and Gifts Month
January	Screening referrals and follow-up Healthy Weight Week
February	Dental Health Month First Aid American Heart Month

- March National Nutrition Month National School Breakfast Week National Poison Prevention Week American Red Cross Month
- AprilScoliosis screening<br/>Counseling Awareness Month<br/>National Child Abuse Prevention Month<br/>Month of the Military Child<br/>National Youth Sports Safety Month
- MayBetter Hearing and Speech Month<br/>Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month<br/>National Mental Health Month<br/>Skin Cancer Awareness Month<br/>National Safe Kids Week<br/>National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month<br/>Water safety<br/>National School Nurses Day
- **June** Closing of school activities (see the following list)

See <u>http://www.health.gov/nhic/Pubs/nhoyear.htm</u> for more ideas on monthly health observances.

#### **Closing of School**

At the end of the school year the school nurse should do the following:

- Determine medical supply orders for the next school year.
- Initiate referrals to the military treatment facility for children/families with ongoing health problems that need supervision over the summer.
- Compile a confidential list of students with health problems that need follow-up early in the fall.
- Attach individual medication records to current health records.
- Arrange the calibration of digital equipment during the summer (e.g., audiometer, electronic thermometer).
- Determine school supply needs for health office for next school year and submit request through school supply clerk according to requisition schedule.
- Notify parents about picking up student's medication on the last day of school; dispose of all unclaimed medications in accordance with medical treatment facility policy.
- Submit work orders when any equipment used in the health room needs repair.

- Leave an information file for the incoming nurse if not returning to the school site. This file should include a list of phone numbers of resource offices and people, information on special health problems of children returning to the school, and other information of value.
- Secure items that need protection over the summer months.

#### D. 3 School Health Records

The parent or guardian will complete the School Health History (DS Form 120.1 Revised May '02) upon initial registration of each child. Schools with computerized health records may use an alternate method or form to collect student health information from parents during registration.

The school nurse will use the information obtained from the DS Form 120.1 or the appropriate form used by DDESS and other available school health records to appraise the student's total health needs and to assist in program planning and health supervision. If the nurse determines that a student has special health care needs, an Individual Health Plan (IHP) should be written by the school nurse and filed in the student health record.

Student health records shall be handled in a confidential and professional manner according to the Privacy Act. School health records will be kept in a locked file in the nurse's office, and information will be shared only with school personnel on a need-toknow basis. References to special education programs are not a part of the student health record. Information of a sensitive and highly confidential nature, such as student pregnancy, suspected child abuse, HIV status, and referrals for drug/alcohol abuse, must be kept in a separate locked file and should not be released or transferred to a new school.

According to DoDEA OSD 1303-02 Health Records Management, student health records, immunization records, parental permission forms, screening results, sports physicals, physician referrals, medication consent forms, and copies of accident reports are placed in the student record files (1903-01 and 1904-01) upon the transfer, withdrawal, or death of the student. Copies of health records may be hand-carried by a parent to a new school or mailed to the school with consent from the parent authorizing release of the records to the new school.

#### D.4 Accident/Injury Reports

An **AIR** — **Accident/Injury Report** (DoDEA Form 4800.1) is completed for any student or employee when a Category 3 and above accident or injury occurs under any of the following circumstances:

- On school grounds
- At off-school locations as a result of school-sponsored activities
- On a school bus or van
- When a student is otherwise traveling to or from school to the extent that such information is obtainable from students, parents, police, medical or safety personnel

The staff member in charge at the time of the accident or injury should initiate the accident/injury report. This may or may not be the school nurse. The form is filed electronically. A copy of DoDEA Form 4800.1 will be retained at the school. One copy will be sent electronically to the safety POC at the district office and another copy to the regional safety officer (DoDEA Regulation 4800.1). See Section H for forms.

In the event of a fatal accident, immediately notify the school administrator, who will then assume responsibility for further action.

A **SIR** — **Serious Incident Report** (DS Form 4705) is the responsibility of the school principal. This report is not to be confused with the AIR — Accident/Injury Report. The school nurse may be asked to assist the principal in providing information regarding involvement with the incident.

#### D. 5 Evaluation of the School Health Program

Evaluation of the school health program is an ongoing process. A comprehensive evaluation of a School Health Services Program considers the following components:

- Written emergency procedures coordinated with local medical treatment facility (MTF)
- Illness and accident services
- Health assessment including school health screenings and identified health needs of students, school, and community
- Safe medication administration procedures
- Health assessment for placement and monitoring of students with disabilities
- Development of Individual Health Plans (IHPs) and Emergency Care Plans (ECPs) for students with identified health problems such as asthma, diabetes, allergy to insect stings, etc.
- Communicable disease control
- Immunization compliance
- Health counseling
- Crisis intervention
- Consultation, collaboration, and liaison services with local health care provider/ MTF
- Health education including wellness promotion and disease prevention
- Documentation of health services provided

Assessment tools may include analysis of data (i.e., student visits, health immunization records, follow-up on referrals); review of accident injury reports; review of local procedures and policies to determine effectiveness; and surveys of students, parents, staff, and community members.

#### D.6 Coverage of Two or More Schools

Some geographical areas may require that a school nurse be responsible for more than one school. In these instances both schools should have copies of *The School Health Services Guide* (DoDDS Manual 2942.0). Written plans for providing adequate medical coverage for both schools should be established by the principal and the school nurse in coordination with the local medical treatment facility. School personnel should be made aware of this arrangement and should be supplied with first aid kits for treatment of minor injuries. Faculty inservice prepares the staff for full utilization of the emergency plan.

Health office supplies will be maintained in both schools when the distance between schools warrants. The school administrator is responsible for maintaining the health office in the absence of a school nurse.

The school nurse confers with the respective principals to arrange for military transportation between schools or seeks approval of the regional director for travel expenses when a privately owned vehicle (POV) is used.

#### D.7 Home Visits

The community health nurse and the community social worker generally make all required home visits. At the discretion of the community health nurse or social worker and with notification of the school administrator, the school nurse may provide support through home visits during the school day, provided proper arrangements have been made for nurse coverage at the school. It is recommended that the administrator provide a second person to accompany the nurse on home visits. A home conference may be preferred over a conference at school because direct conversation with the parents may be easier to conduct in the home setting. Because the child is a product of the family and home environment, home visits also may help the school nurse gain added insight into the child's condition.

#### D.8 Residence Halls

The health of residence hall students is primarily the responsibility of parents and the residence hall supervisor. Each residence hall school will provide a handbook for parents and students, which includes the requirements and regulations of the residence hall health program.

- The school nurse coordinates with the residence hall supervisor and local medical treatment facility to establish procedures for daily sick call, referral of students to the treatment facility during and after school hours, and emergency medical treatment of residence hall students. Written parent/sponsor authorization for emergency medical treatment, surgery, and/or anesthesia for each student must be on file in the residence hall office.
- When a student is unable to attend classes for an extended period because of accident or illness, parents may be required to take the student back to his or her home.
- Medications that can be self-administered, such as inhalers, insulin, and antibiotics, must be accompanied by the **Permission for Student to Retain Control of Prescribed Medication** form (see Section H, Sample Forms). This form must be filled out and signed by the physician, parents, and student. DEAcontrolled substances such as Ritalin, Dexedrine, Adderall, etc., must be kept in a locked medication cabinet in the dorm nurse's office and be administered by the dorm nurse. School personnel will not administer over-the-counter (OTC) medications unless there is a doctor's prescription for the medication and the bottle is labeled by the pharmacist (as for non-OTC medications).
- The nurse is encouraged to coordinate with the residence hall advisory staff to provide an environment that is safe and that contributes to the emotional wellbeing of students. The school nurse and faculty will assist residence hall advisors in developing special programs for residence hall students.

#### **SECTION E**

#### The Health Education Program

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- E.2 References

#### E.1 Health Education

Health education is an important part of a comprehensive school health program. The goal of the health education program is to help students learn how to make wise decisions that promote their health and well-being. The *DoDEA Health Education Curriculum and Assessment Standards* serves as the framework of the health education program. The standards align with the National Health Education Standards developed by the Joint Committee on National Health Education Standards. Copies of the *National Health Education Standards: Achieving Health Literacy* can be obtained from the American School Health Association, the Association for the Advancement of Health Education, or the American Cancer Society.

The role of the school nurse in the health education program is to supplement the health instruction given by the classroom teacher. The school nurse supports health promotion activities and assists teachers in obtaining appropriate materials and resource people. School nurses may coordinate inservice education on health-related topics. School nurses may sometimes assist the classroom teacher to enhance a specific health unit in the classroom.

#### E.2 References

Assessing Health Literacy: A Guide to Portfolios, CCSSO-SCASS Health Education Project (1997–1998)

DoDEA Health Education Curriculum and Assessment Standards http://www.odedodea.edu/instruction/curriculum/health/index.htm

#### SECTION F

#### Health Services, Practices, and Procedures

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### F.1 Registration

During registration the school nurse may do the following:

- Make personal contact with parent(s).
- Clarify health problems of students.\*
- Gather health information to assist with the Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).
- Complete and file health records and medical forms as needed.
- Screen immunization records and refer as needed. (Registration is not complete until immunizations comply with appropriate regulations.)
- Prepare confidential list of students with health problems.

\*Note: DoD Reg 1342.6 *(Administrative & Logistics Responsibilities)* requests sponsors to make an appointment for a complete health appraisal upon the first entry of a student into school for preschool, kindergarten, or 1st grade.

#### F.2 Immunizations

#### **Immunization Screening**

Students who enroll in Department of Defense Education Activity schools must meet specific immunization requirements prior to enrollment. The requirements displayed below represent the minimum requirements and do not necessarily reflect the optimal immunization status for a student. This certification of immunization, completed by the local medical authority, must be provided to school officials at the time of initial registration for placement in the student's health record file.

Students in the Department of Defense Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools (DDESS) may be required to obtain immunization certificates specific to the state where they attend school. Deadlines for these certificates are determined by the local school district.

The minimum immunization requirements are listed on the Certification of Immunization *(DoDEA Form 2942.0-M-F1, August 2006)* located in Section H. Students should meet immunization requirements prior to initial school enrollment.

Although the military services, and not the schools, are responsible for administration of immunizations, school nurses can assist in the following ways:

• Disseminate DoDEA Certification of Immunization form *or other valid medical records that have been certified by medical personnel to parents and direct them to the local medical treatment facility.* When the form is completed, the parent returns it to the school.

- Screen immunization records and complete the Certificate of Immunization form. The certificate is filed in the student's health record.
- Devise a system of notifying parents before the expiration date on the immunization form.
- Coordinate with the local medical facility to develop procedures that ensure that students receive required immunizations. Proper documentation is necessary, including the dates of the immunizations and a date showing how long the certification is current.

## **Medical and Religious Exemptions**

An exception to the immunization requirement may be made for the following reasons:

- Medical A child with a medical contraindication to one or more vaccines may be exempt from this requirement. The parent or guardian must present a statement from a licensed physician, nurse, nurse practitioner, or other health care professional that the physical condition of the child is such that the administration or one or more of the required immunizing agents is contraindicated, and whether the condition is permanent or temporary. If the condition is temporary, the vaccine must be received within 30 days of the exemption expiration date. For the protection of the medically exempt student and the safety of other students enrolled, the medically exempt student will be excluded from school during a documented outbreak of a contagious disease.
- Documented History A student may be exempt from all or part of the MMR, varicella, and Hep B requirement through a blood titer test that shows that the student has had one or more of these diseases.
- Religious A child's parent or guardian may claim exemption for religious reasons. If the parent maintains the need to continue the religious exemption during a documented outbreak of a contagious disease, the student will be excluded from school for his or her protection and the safety of the other students until the contagious period is over. Religious exemptions require a written statement from the parent stating that he or she objects to the vaccination based upon personal beliefs.

## F. 3 Medication Policy

## **Administering Medication**

The school nurse should encourage parents to administer necessary medications to their children at home if possible. When medications must be administered during the school day, the medication must be delivered to the school nurse in the original container, properly labeled by the pharmacy or physician, stating the name of the student, the medication, the dosage, and current date. Prior to administering the medication, the physician and parent must complete and sign a

permission for medication form. (See Section H for the proper form.) This form, with signatures of both the physician and the parent, must also be on file before administering routine over-the-counter medications to students.

The school nurse may train unlicensed personnel to give medications in his or her absence. Designated unlicensed personnel must demonstrate competency in administering prescriptive drugs before assisting students with medication. Inservice training shall include instruction in the safe administration of medication. (See Section I, Guidelines for Safe Administration of Daily Medications in the Absence of the School Nurse, and Section H for Medication Inservice.)

Medications given at school must be documented either on an individual log or in an adopted computerized student health management system. Written documentation must include time, dose, route, and signature of the nurse or person administering the medication. Best practice includes an individual log for each medication and each dosage time. (See Section H for Individual Medication Log.)

#### **Standing Orders**

Standing orders are written by a physician and apply only to students in which the order may be applicable. It is not necessary for the physician to have previously examined the student. Due to the complexity and joint service provision of health care services to the DoDEA organization, it is not feasible to provide universal standing orders for DoDEA school nurses worldwide. (A suggested form for the treatment of anaphylactic shock is included in Section H.) Individual specific standing orders should be obtained for children with long-term illnesses that require treatment at school. Standing orders must be renewed annually.

#### **Storage of Medication**

Medications must be kept in a locked cabinet at school, with the exception of asthma medication. Students diagnosed with asthma must have doctor and parental permission to carry their medication as well as a signed statement taking responsibility for the proper use of the medication. Written documentation of the administration of medication must include time, dose, route, and the signature of the person giving the medication. Best practice includes an individual log for each medication and each dosage time. (See Section H for Individual Medication Log.)

## Administration of Medication on Field/Study Trips

The school nurse will establish a protocol for ensuring that medication is administered on field/study trips. A daily dosage of medication shall be prepared for students who receive prescribed medication at school. The labeled envelope will include the child's name, date, name of medication, dosage, and time of administration. (See Section H for Medication Log, Study Trip Administration.)

## **Medication Incidents**

If a medication error occurs, the nurse should notify the child's parent, the child's physician, and the school principal. A Medication Incident Report should be completed. (See Section H for Medication Incident Report.)

## F.4 Office Visits and Emergencies

### **Procedures for Illness and Minor Injury**

The school nurse renders first aid and provides nursing care for the student who is injured or becomes ill at school. The school nurse determines the need for a student to be sent home or referred for medical evaluation.

If a student is ill and needs to be sent home because of illness or injury, one of the following actions should take place before releasing the student from school:

- A responsible parent or guardian is contacted to take responsibility for the student's transportation to the appropriate destination, whether home or the medical treatment facility. Under no circumstances should the student be released until the parent gives explicit instructions to release the child on his or her own recognizance.
- The designated emergency person is contacted if the parent or guardian is not available.
- The sponsor's supervisor is contacted if no one else is available.
- A Medical Referral Form is completed if deemed appropriate. (See Section H.)

## **Emergency Medical Care**

In coordination with the local medical support facility, each school should have written procedures for first aid and emergency care that are clearly understood by all school staff: principals, teachers, volunteers, secretaries, student aides, etc.

If a student needs *emergency* medical care requiring an ambulance, the school nurse follows the emergency plan relevant to the community. In all cases, the following procedures are implemented:

- The ambulance is requested.\*
- The parent is notified that the student is en route to the nearest medical facility.
- The school administrator is notified.

\*A school official may accompany the student to the medical facility in an emergency.

## **Emergency Plans**

Field/Study Trips — The nurse will develop an emergency care plan that is relevant to the respective community for health emergencies that may arise when students are away from the school area for an extended period of time. (See Section I for Study Trip First Aid.)

Other Unpredictable Emergency Events — There may be epidemics, bomb threats, and facility deficiencies that endanger the health and safety of students and school personnel. The installation commander may close the schools for such emergencies as he or she deems necessary. The administrator should develop emergency procedures in coordination with appropriate military officials. The nurse should work with the administrator and the faculty to ensure the safety of students.

## Accident/Injury Report (AIR)

An Accident/Injury Report (AIR) DoDEA 4800.1 should be filed electronically and sent to the appropriate personnel if an injury occurs that causes a temporary disability, permanent disability, or death. (See Section H for Accident/Injury Report.)

## F. 5 Universal Precautions

## **General Information**

To control communicable disease transmission, school staff should use Universal Precautions and Body Substance Isolation as described in the Clinical Guidelines "Standard Precautions/Control of Communicable," p. 153. Any DoDEA regulations pertaining to blood-borne pathogens should be implemented.

## **School Nurse Role**

The school nurse must ensure that all school employees understand the importance of universal precautions and proper hand washing to control the spread of contagious diseases. Information about universal precautions and procedures to follow should be distributed at the beginning of the school year when discussing first aid. Classroom and playground first aid kits are recommended for distribution. All staff should be provided with disposable gloves and instructed in proper use. Liquid soap dispensers are recommended for proper hand washing.

## **Universal Procedures**

The following universal procedures should be followed by all school staff:

- Students should be encouraged to take care of their own minor injuries, cuts, scrapes, and bloody noses whenever possible. The student may need a reminder to thoroughly wash his or her hands afterward.
- Large blood spills as from serious nosebleeds or wounds may require assistance from school staff. The school employee must always wear gloves when making contact with the wounded person.
- Employees need to thoroughly wash their hands after contact with body fluids whether or not gloves were worn.
- Employees must wear disposable gloves for clean-up. They must use a disinfectant solution for cleaning (a bleach solution of 1.5 cups per gallon of water). It is recommended that the administrator responsible for the contract the custodial inform the contractor of OSHA standards are recommended.

### F.6 Health Screening Procedures

#### **Observation and Referral**

Because teachers work closely with students each day, they play a key role in observing and detecting health problems. Observation, inspection, and attention to complaints of pupils are frequently much more important in finding clues to defects or abnormal conditions than many of the screening tests. These observations are not limited to any particular period of the day and should continue throughout the day as students engage in various school activities. Teacher-nurse conferences are helpful in understanding and sharing knowledge of students with health concerns.

#### **Health Services Screening Program**

In developing a health service screening program, the school nurse may want to consider the following:

- Age of the children to be examined (e.g., it may be advisable to screen the kindergarten class in the classroom, where they will feel more secure. For older children, another location would be appropriate.)
- Classroom schedules.
- Time involved in the screening (e.g., audiometric testing takes approximately two to five minutes per student with individual equipment.)
- Available equipment. Is the equipment available for multiple screening, or must screening be done individually? Must the equipment be shared with other schools, and if so, what is their schedule?

- Available locations for screening. Is the area used for other purposes? If so, will the screening have to be scheduled over a period of time? Will the times available allow for checking the students who need to be examined? Is a quiet area available for audiometric screening? Is a private area available for scoliosis screening?
- Available medical facility assistance. To what extent will the local medical treatment facility assist in the screening program? Cooperation and coordination with the local medical facility saves times on lengthy appointments and provides identification of students in need of service.
- Provisions for health instruction units. The appropriate materials that support the screening program should be distributed to the classroom teacher.
- Provisions for health office coverage during screening. Coverage should be arranged with the administrator.

## **Prior to Screening Students for Vision or Hearing**

The schoolwide screening program should be coordinated with school administration, teaching staff, and medical and clinic support staff (e.g., physical therapy, occupational therapy, optometry, audiology, dental, etc.). Health screening forms are available with Health Master. The screening program involves the following:

- Obtaining a list of all students to be screened *prior* to actual screening.
- Contacting volunteer sources for assistance with the screening program.
- Informing the students and their families of the purpose of the screening, method of accomplishment, and that follow-up for further examination may be required. (Indicate that this is only a screening and not a substitute for a regular examination.)
- Preparing pertinent forms.

## Vision Screening (Reference NASN Vision Screening Guidelines for School Nurses)

Adult observation, inspection, and student complaints are equally as important as an eye test in finding clues to defective vision or other abnormal eye conditions. The teachers should note and refer to the school nurse for immediate care any students with the following symptoms:

- Red-rimmed, encrusted, or swollen eyelids
- Inflamed or watery eyes, recurring sties
- An eye that turns in or out
- Changes in vision, such as double or blurred vision
- Squinting, frowning, shutting, or covering one eye
- Difficulty with close work

Ideally, all students are screened upon entry into school and in kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades, 4th or 5th grade, 7th or 8th grade, and 10th or 11th grade. High school students should be screened at least once during their high school years. The school nurse should consider any referral from a parent, instructional staff, physician, or student, as well as referrals for special education services from the Case Study Committee (CSC).

Referral criteria should be coordinated with the local medical facility. NASN guidelines indicate acuity in each eye should be at least 20/30. For younger children in preschool and kindergarten, vision must be at least 20/40. Students should be referred for more than one line of difference between the two eyes.

## **Notifying Parents of Screening Results**

After the screening, the school nurse will forward a letter with the screening results to the parent, requesting that the parents make an appointment with an appropriate practitioner. The teacher should also be informed so that any necessary environmental adjustment can be made. (See Section H for Vision Screening Referral.)

### **Assessment Tools for Vision Screening**

Most commonly used screening tools are the distance and near point vision tests. Examples for particular eye problems include the following:

- Distance vision Snellen charts (symbol, letter, etc.), HOTV, Titmus, Keystone
- Near vision Titmus, Continuous Text reading card, Snellen Near Point charts (letter or symbol, etc.)
- Color vision Ishihara
- Hyperopia (determines greater than normal amount of farsightedness): Plus lens test
- Binocularity (amblyopia and poor ocular alignment): Stereo/depth perception test
- Tracking (determines if eyes work together)
- Eye alignment (determines potential misalignment, strabismus, or hyperphoria)

# **Hearing Screening** (Reference NASN *The Ear and Hearing: A Guide for School Nurses)*

Any substantial reduction in the ability to hear may constitute a handicap. Anything that interferes with the child's hearing ability impairs early language growth and may have a strong influence upon the student's academic performance and the development of character and personality during childhood years. Symptoms reported by the classroom teacher that may need further evaluation are the following:

- Complaints of frequent earaches or pain in the area immediately adjacent to the ear
- Complaints of the ear being "stopped up"
- Complaints of noises such as ringing or buzzing
- Drainage from the ear, sometimes accompanied by an unpleasant odor
- Ears dirty with heavy encrustation of dried earwax
- Frequent colds or allergic symptoms
- Constant mouth breathing
- Poor balance in walking, running, leaping, and other similar activities
- Poor or defective articulation of speech sounds
- Misunderstanding or misinterpretation of oral communication
- Inattention, interrupting conversation of others, being unaware that others are talking, answering questions inappropriately, responding off topic, leaning forward to hear, or cocking the head in an effort to hear better

Students in kindergarten and in grades 1,2, 3, 7, and 11 should be screened annually. Students referred by a parent, instructional staff, physicians, or Case Study Committee should be considered, as should self-referrals.

## Assessment Tools for Screening Hearing

- Audiometer
- Tympanometer
- Otoscope

## **Procedures for Screening Hearing**

Three types of hearing tests are recommended for use in school hearing screening programs. The school nurse who has received training is qualified to do these hearing tests. Procedures for administering the tests are described below:

## Pure Tone Screening (Sweep Test)

- 1. Select a room in the quietest part of a building. A soundproof room is not necessary.
- 2. Give careful directions to the students before beginning. This may be done individually or to the entire class. Be sure they understand that they should raise their hand the moment they hear the sound.
- 3. Place earphones on each ear (red on right ear, blue on left ear). Be sure that earphones fit snugly and that nothing interferes in a way that would inhibit the passage of sound.
- 4. Set the frequency at 2000 Hz. Present a recognition tone of 40 dB.
- 5. Set the Hearing Threshold Level (HTL) at 20 dB (soundproof room) or 25 dB (non-soundproof room).

- 6. Present the tone (2000 Hz) for one to two seconds to the right ear. Tone may be presented twice to make sure the child hears the tone and understands what is supposed to be heard.
- 7. Proceed to 4000 Hz, 1000 Hz, and 500 Hz.
- 8. Repeat the procedure to the left ear.
- 9. Vary the length of the tone and the pauses to prevent establishing a rhythm.
- 10. Repeat if the student fails to hear any tone, but do not go above 25 dB.
- 11. Re-screen in two to three weeks any student failing to respond to two or more tones in one ear.

## Pure Tone Threshold Test

- 1. Prepare the student for this test in the same manner as above.
- 2. Begin the test by setting the Hearing Threshold Level (HTL) at 50 dB.
- 3. Present the tone (2000 Hz).
- 4. Decrease the dB until the student no longer hears the sound.
- 5. Repeat Steps 3 and 4 for accuracy.
- 6. Record the last tone heard on the audiogram.
- 7. Test remaining frequencies (1000, 4000, and 500Hz) in the same manner.
- 8. Record the lowest dB heard for each tone on the audiogram. (It is unnecessary to establish a threshold above 60 dB.)
- 9. Record results on the student's school health record.
- 10. Request that the sponsor make an appointment with an appropriate practitioner if the student does not pass the threshold screening. A letter with the screening results should be sent home with the student or mailed to the sponsor. The teacher should also be informed so that classroom adjustments can be made.
- 11. Refer any child who repeatedly fails a screening to the teacher for the hearing impaired. (See Section H for Hearing Screening Referral.)

## Impedance Testing

- 1. Examine the ear with an otoscope for any obstruction such as cerumen or a foreign body; examine *before* testing.
- 2. Explain the procedure to the student.
- 3. Insert the probe into the ear, making sure the tip is properly sized to prevent outside air from entering the canal.
- 4. If the instrument is computerized and records only a number, record numbers on the forms supplied with the machine.
- 5. If the instrument produces a graph, observe for proper results.
- 6. Record results on student school health record.
- 7. If the student does not pass the screening, a letter with screening results requesting the sponsor make an appointment with an appropriate practitioner should be sent home with the student or mailed to the sponsor. The teacher should also be informed.

## **Implications of Identifying a Hearing Loss**

The following classifications are based on hearing levels through the frequency range most crucial for the understanding of speech and are a general guide to the degree of severity of hearing loss:

## MILD HEARING LOSS (20-40 dB)

- Has difficulty hearing faint or distant speech.
- Needs favorable seating.
- May benefit from lip-reading instruction.
- May benefit from hearing aid.

## MODERATE HEARING LOSS (41-59 dB)

- Can barely hear conversational speech at a distance of 3 to 5 feet.
- Needs hearing aid, auditory trainer, lip reading, favorable seating.
- Needs language therapy to aid with communication skills.
- Requires special education

services.

## SEVERE HEARING LOSS (60-85 dB)

- May hear a loud voice about 1 foot from the ear.
- Needs hearing aid, etc., in conjunction with language therapy to aid with communication skills.
- Requires special education services.

## PROFOUND HEARING LOSS (85+ dB)

- May hear only very loud sounds (e.g., jet plane overheard and subway).
- Does not rely on hearing as the primary channel for communications.
- Needs amplification, plus all of the above mentioned services, but may be less successful in producing adequate speech and language.

# **Scoliosis Screening** (Reference NASN *Postural Screening Guidelines for School Nurses)*

• **Students.** An early detection program requires some advance preparation to achieve maximum effectiveness and avoid confusion about scoliosis. Because the general public knows very little about scoliosis, it is essential to have some education before screening takes place. This education starts with the students in health classes and includes an explanation of the mechanics of the examination, emphasizing that personal privacy will be respected. The lesson includes general observations about the posture of students and adults and a discussion of kyphosis (hunchback), lordosis (sway back), and scoliosis (a lateral curvature of the spine).

• **Parents.** After educating the students, the parents should be informed of the planned screening. It is advantageous to have an information meeting for parents on the subject. Appropriate school health personnel can explain scoliosis and related concerns, and the planned screening program. A film and/or slide presentation for both the students and parents before screening may be appropriate.

Prescreening education is essential to the success of a screening program. Misinformation about scoliosis, such as the notion that scoliosis is contagious or results in loss of limbs, can result in misperceptions about the disease or condition. Parents can become upset when they receive positive findings without having prior knowledge of the condition and the screening program.

## **Notification from School to Parents**

- Notice of screening to take place. Notification to the parents that the screening will take place should be sent home with those students to be screened. (See Section H for Parent Notice of Scoliosis Screening.)
- Notification of results of screening. The results of the screening are either given directly to the student or sent home BY MAIL to parents whose children have positive findings. Before notifying a parent of negative findings, it is recommended that a re-screening be completed by SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE ORIGINAL SCREENER. It is highly recommended that the second screener be another health professional who is familiar with spinal screening. (Note: The suggested notification form in Section H does not specifically state the presence of scoliosis or other specific findings, but merely suggests that a medical review is needed.)

## **Recommended Scoliosis Screening Ages**

• Annual screenings are recommended for all children ages 10 through 14, in grades 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. A student who is already being treated for scoliosis should not be screened again. Statistical findings on screening programs indicate a likelihood of from 2 to 7 percent positive findings, depending upon the age group. After the initial screening, some students, especially girls, may ultimately need surgery to correct their scoliosis. In younger children, less traumatic methods of treatment, such as bracing, may be more appropriate.

#### **Procedure for Scoliosis Screening**

Preparation for Screening

1. Each student should be screened in private, in a separate room or behind a screen, in gym clothes when possible. Boys and girls must be screened

separately and individually. The space must include a writing area where the screener can record information as the physical findings are observed. It is strongly recommended that females screen girls. If this is not possible, then a female chaperon MUST be present at all times when girls are being screened.

- 2. To help ensure accurate screening results, the students must wear proper attire.
  - Boys must remove their shirts and pants to the hips or wear gym shorts, so that the waistline and hips can be observed.
  - Girls must wear a bathing suit top, halter top, or bra and lower their pants to the hips or wear gym shorts, so that the waistline and hips can be observed.
  - All students must remove shoes or sneakers before screening.

#### Screening Procedures

- 1. The student is directed to stand erect with weight evenly distributed on both feet, facing the screener with feet together, knees straight, and arms relaxed at sides. Students should be encouraged to avoid slouching or standing "at attention." The screener should check the student from the front looking for the following:
  - Elevated shoulder
  - Unequal space between arm and side
  - Uneven waist creases
- 2. Next, the student is directed to bend forward at the waist (toward the screener) with hands together and head tucked in (as in a "diving" position). The screener should examine for the following:
  - Asymmetry (uneven contours) of the rib cage or upper back, i.e., one side higher than the other
  - Rib hump present in the upper or lower back
  - Curve in the spinous process alignment
- 3. The student is asked to turn so that his or her back is facing the screener. The screener should observe for the following:
  - Elevated shoulder
  - Hip prominence
  - Curve in spinous process alignment
  - Unequal space between arm and side
  - Unequal creases at waist

- 4. The student is asked to assume the diving position once more, bending forward at the waist with head tucked in. The screener should observe for the following:
  - Asymmetry (uneven contours) of the rib cage or upper back; i.e., one side higher than the other
  - Rib hump present in the upper or lower back
  - Curve in the spinous process alignment
  - Record findings on class roster

In the procedure outlined above, the screener remains primarily in one place, allowing the student to do the turning. This saves time and makes the screener's job easier. After the screening is completed, the school nurse, teacher, or other appropriate person notifies parents of children with positive findings.

**Referral Criteria for Scoliosis Screening** (See Section H for Scoliosis Screening Referral form.)

- Any child with an obvious deformity
- Asymmetry of the back in the forward bends test
- Seven degrees or more on scoliometer; combined reading of 10 degrees or more between thoracic and lumbar readings on scoliometer
- Curve of the spine, lordosis, or kyphosis
- Two or more of these signs:
  - Shoulder or scapula asymmetry of 1 inch or more
  - Hip asymmetry of one-half inch or more space between arm and flank on one side
  - Uneven waist creases
  - Leg length difference of one-half inch

## Follow-Up

The school nurse or teacher should follow up by encouraging the parents to take the child for a professional observation. The results of the screening should be noted in the student's health record and shared with the classroom teacher to allow for environmental accommodations.

## Dental Screening and Preventive Care

General health, well-being, and personal appearance are enhanced by good dental health. Dental disability may result from abnormal growth and development, traumatic injury, dental caries, or periodontal disease. The primary focus of dental screening and preventive care is to coordinate the activities of the classroom teacher to reduce the probability of the development of future dental disorders and to identify existing student dental health problems. The school dental program includes the following:

- **Screening and treatment referral.** Screening and treatment of student dental health disorders are the responsibility of the local dental clinic. The school nurse and clinic personnel coordinate screening procedures and practices. (See Section H for Dental Screening Report.)
- **Dental health education.** Learning activities directed by the classroom teacher, a dental hygienist, or the school nurse promote proper dental care. The benefits of daily mouth cleansing, tooth brushing, and proper dietary habits are valuable components of the health curriculum.
- Dental emergencies. Refer to *Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses,* p. 37.

## F.7 Child Abuse and Neglect

Cases of child abuse and neglect will be reported in accordance with current DoDEA regulations and guidelines. Any employee who has reason to believe or suspect that a student has been abused or neglected shall report that information immediately according to established DoDEA procedures. Local policy and procedure shall be followed in accordance with DoDEA regulations and guidelines. (See Section I for DoDEA regulation 2050.9 "DoDEA Family Advocacy Program Process and Procedures for Reporting Incidents of Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect." 27 January 1998 and Memorandum of Understanding signed by FEA and DoDDS in November 1999.)

For other information on child abuse reporting, see Section C.9.

## F.8 The Nurse's Role on the Case Study Committee (Special Education)

DoD Instruction 1342.12 requires that all children with a disability between the ages of 3 and 21, regardless of the severity and extent of their handicap, be provided a "free and appropriate education." The school nurse's role may include the following:

- Home visits that identify children with exceptional needs who are not attending school
- Conferences with parents, community agencies, and instructional staff
- Observation of students at home and in school setting (classroom, cafeteria, playground, etc.)
- Screening, evaluation of assessment results, and medical history information

A major role of the school nurse in the early identification of a student with a suspected disability is to refer the student and family to the appropriate resources. Because of their professional background, school nurses are especially qualified to strengthen the link between educational and medical services. Health services for a child referred to the Case Study Committee (CSC) team may include the following:

- Vision and hearing screening, with follow-up as indicated
- Health and developmental history when appropriate

- Medical referrals/follow-up as indicated
- Written report of the above to the CSC

(See Section H for Child Study Committee forms.)

### F.9 Substance Abuse

All schools should have a plan for implementing DS Regulation 2792.2 that establishes policies and procedures for helping students lead drug-free lives. The role of the school nurse in school substance abuse programs is threefold: drug abuse prevention and education, early identification of both users and potential users of mind-altering drugs or alcohol, and referral to local treatment programs. Drug abuse programs target a range of abused substances, including alcohol, tobacco, misused prescription and nonprescription drugs, inhalants, and other legal substances used for the purposes of altering the mind.

### **Drug Education**

The school nurse may be asked to coordinate or participate in various educational programs, such as Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE), Choosing for Yourself, Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD), and Parents' Resource Institute for Drug Education (PRIDE). The nurse may also facilitate school participation in national and local campaigns such as the Great American Smoke-Out, the Red Ribbon Campaign, and Celebrate Sober. Students should be referred to substance abuse counseling resources as appropriate. Adolescent Substance Abuse Counseling Service (ASACS) is a contracted program that provides "in-house" counseling services and is available in some communities.

## Identification

#### **Medical Emergency**

If a medical emergency at school exists because of suspected substance abuse, the school nurse should be summoned using the school's emergency procedures. An ambulance should be called while the nurse renders first aid. Information concerning the suspected substance abuse should be given to the local medical facility as quickly as possible. Parents should be notified of the incident and referred to the local medical facility. (See Section H for Behavioral Checklist for Suspected Chemical Abuse.)

#### **Non-emergency**

When no medical emergency exists but a teacher or other staff member suspects that a student is under the influence of alcohol or drugs at school, the student

should be referred to the administration for disciplinary action. If the administrator determines that the nurse's input is needed even though no emergency exists, the administrator will ask for the nurse's assistance. To maintain his or her role as a health counselor, the nurse should try to remain separate from disciplinary decisions as much as possible. (See Section H for Behavioral Checklist for Suspected Chemical Abuse.)

## **Chronic Abusers**

Upon reasonable suspicion that a student has a chronic problem with either drugs or alcohol or both, the student is often referred to the school nurse for further assessment. If information supports suspicion of a substance abuse problem, the student's sponsor should be contacted and the family referred to the Adolescent Substance Abuse Counseling Service (ASACS), if available.

## **Children of Alcoholics and Other At-Risk Students**

The school nurse plays an important role in the identification of children at high risk for developing substance abuse problems. Identifying and referring these children to educational prevention programs and/or counseling maximizes the possibilities of academic success and self-esteem.

## F.10 Crisis Intervention

Schools must establish a Crisis Management Plan and a Crisis Management Team. (See Reference Section re: DSM 2943.0.) The Crisis Management Team will respond to crises that affect the school population, for example, the death of a student or a teacher, a serious accident, self-destructive behaviors, or threats of potential or actual violence.

The school nurse should work with the school counselor and other members of the Crisis Management Team to formulate a crisis response plan for the school.

## F.11 Adolescent Health Issues

## Confidentiality

Minors may receive confidential medical care without their parent's knowledge or consent, in accordance with local military regulations. In communities where teen clinics are established, students who are dependents of civilian personnel may receive this care free of charge. Most often confidential care involves sexuality problems such as pregnancy testing, birth control information and examinations, and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases. In providing care, the individual health practitioner must determine if the teenager is mature enough to understand the medical treatment and to follow instructions. When students seek confidential medical care without parental permission, an accountability system is set up between the medical facility and the school nurse to verify that the student's absence is an "excused" absence with "make-up" privileges.

#### Contraception

Birth control information is a part of the health education curriculum in DoD secondary schools. Students requesting confidential medical appointments at local medical treatment facilities may receive assistance from the school nurse.

#### Pregnancy

#### Identification

The school nurse should assess the student who suspects pregnancy for related problems such as depression, denial, suicidal ideation and/or gestures, sexual assault or abuse, intentions to run away, family stress and/or violence. A student may have the pregnancy confirmed through a confidential pregnancy test at the local medical facility, depending on age and service. In other cases, a student may need parental permission and/or support to obtain a pregnancy test.

## **Pregnancy Test Results**

Whether a student's pregnancy test is negative or positive, the student may need follow-up counseling. For this reason, pregnancy test results should not be given to a teenager by phone, unless the student phones for the results from the school nurse's office. The school nurse is then available for guidance and support to the student.

Even if the pregnancy test is negative, the student still needs follow-up. The teenager needs to be counseled regarding issues such as sexual relationships, contraceptives, and sexually transmitted diseases. A sexually active teen who has never had a pelvic exam should be referred for a GYN exam and counseling at the teen clinic if such facility is available.

The student who is pregnant will need counseling regarding the choices available to her. The school nurse should refer the student to the local medical facility or other agencies for counseling support. Often the school nurse will facilitate discussion of the pregnancy between the girl and her parents. The school nurse should encourage prenatal care as well as infant care classes. The school nurse can initiate services in the school that help the pregnant student to stay physically and mentally healthy, that promote emotional support, and that provide appropriate educational strategies. The school nurse should collaborate with the family and the medical team to provide the pregnant student with medical, emotional, and social support to reduce stress.

## Sexually Transmitted Disease

The school nurse should be a central figure in assessment, intervention, and prevention of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). The incidence of STDs in teenagers has risen to epidemic proportions. Some STDs, such as chlamydia and gonorrhea are common causes of sterility in both men and women. Viral infections such as herpes and genital warts cannot be cured. AIDS is a viral infection that is fatal. Other serious STDs include hepatitis B and hepatitis C. For these reasons, prevention of STDs is part of the DoDEA secondary health curriculum, with education beginning in the primary grades. School nurses, especially at the secondary level, need to be familiar with the signs and symptoms of the various STDs and refer students for confidential care as needed.

## Runaways

If a school nurse learns that a student has left home or a resident dorm without permission or knowledge, the school nurse must assess the situation and report essential information to the parents, the school administration, and if necessary, social work services and/or the military police. Through a cooperative effort with social work services, the school nurse can help identify reasons for the running away.

## F. 12 Ancillary Coverage in the Health Office

# **Guidelines for Personnel Working in the School Health Office Who Are** *Not* **Registered Nurses**

Observe the following general guidelines:

- Be honest with the students, parents, and teachers with whom you have contact. Tell them that you are NOT a registered nurse, but that you will try to help them to the best of your ability.
- Keep a record of all students who come into the health room, including the date, time, reason for the student's visit, and what you did for the student.
- Attempt to obtain a history of events leading up to the injury or illness that the student reports to you. Complete DoDEA forms when appropriate, such as accident reports.
- Do first aid in accordance with the DoDEA *School Health Services Guide* and skills learned in Red Cross first aid and CPR courses. Be sure to keep Red Cross certifications current.

Call the parent for any of the following reasons:

- Any illness or injury that causes you concern
- Eye, ear, or teeth injuries
- Head injury
- Second- or third-degree burns
- Severe pain
- Sprains or possible fractures
- Temperature higher than 100°
- Vomiting
- Wounds that may require stitches

When dispensing medication, observe the following guidelines:

- Check all medications to make sure you have written parent permission, a container properly labeled by the pharmacy, and written instructions signed by the doctor. The pharmacy label and the doctor's instructions MUST MATCH IN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS:
  - Student's name
  - Doctor's name
  - Medication's name
  - Amount of medication to give
  - Time to give the medication
- If any one of the above doesn't match, return the medication to the parent to take back to the clinic for corrections.

When dealing with an illness or injury, observe the following guidelines:

- Notify the principal of any major health care concerns.
- Contact the parent/guardian. If you are unable to reach the parent, try the emergency contact number or notify the sponsor's commander.
- Send the student back to class if his or her temperature is below 100° and no other serious symptoms are evident. Instruct the student to come back to the health room if he or she continues to feel bad.
- Send a note home with the student if you have been unable to contact the parent regarding an illness or injury. Keep a copy of the note.
- Respect confidentiality of information obtained from students and families regarding an illness, injury, diagnosis, or medical treatment.
- Share information with the principal and/or the counselor whenever there is a risk to the student or a specific law or policy requires such reporting. Such situations include child abuse or neglect, suicidal thoughts or actions, possession of controlled substances, assault to others, theft, runaway, etc.

• Refer chronic health problems to the school nurse or to the military community health nurse when a school nurse is not available.

*DO NOT* do any of the following:

- Make a diagnosis or prescribe treatment or medication.
- Give medical advice.
- Take on the role of a counselor. (Refer student to the appropriate school personnel: counselor, school psychologist, and school nurse.)
- Give or apply any medication unless it comes in a pharmacy-labeled container with written instructions from the doctor and written permission from the parent.
- Accept medications in containers with alterations made by the parent on the pharmacy label or on the doctor's instructions.
- Give care beyond basic first aid for which you have current certification from the Red Cross.
- Perform any health procedures for which you would need a RN license to perform in the state or anything that requires more than a clean procedure.
- Perform tasks or take responsibilities that will jeopardize the health of others or your own liability.
- Transport sick or injured students in your POV.

For other information on delegation of nursing care see Section C.4.

## F.13 References

*The Ear and Hearing—A Guide for School Nurses* (NASN, 1998).

*Occupational Exposure to Blood-borne Pathogens—Implementing OSHA Standards in School Settings* (NASN, 1994).

Postural Screening Guidelines for School Nurses (NASN, 1995).

Vision Screening Guidelines for School Nurses (NASN, 1995).

School Health Alert Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses.

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## **SECTION G**

## Specific Illnesses and Injuries

**G.1 School Clinical Guidelines** 

**G.2 Resources** 

#### School Clinical Guidelines

The document *Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses from School Health Alert* will be used as the standard of care for specific illnesses and injuries in DoDEA. It was purchased by DoDEA and will be updated with new editions as they are made available. *Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses from School Health Alert* was chosen because it focuses primarily on health services. It was written specifically for school nurses who practice independently. It contains brief summaries of illnesses and injuries that school nurses deal with in their school nursing practice. This information is intended as a policy guide.

Please insert your school's copy of *Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses* in this Section of your *DoDEA School Health Services Guide*.

Supplemental DoDEA forms and specific guidance addressing issues such as asthma, ADHD, child abuse, etc., are available in Section H and Section I.

Communicable diseases are covered throughout the *Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses.* In addition, Section I of this DoDEA guide contains a quick reference chart. This chart was developed using facts from the Centers for Disease Control (2001) and *Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses from School Health Alert.* 

General standing orders are specific orders written by a physician and apply to all students for whom the order may be applicable. See additional guidance, information, and sample forms in this guide under Sections F, H, and I.

#### Resources

Resources recommended and purchased by DoDEA for all school health offices are listed in Section I.

#### H.0 Sample Forms

#### Introduction

The forms contained in this section are examples of forms that may be used to record student health information and to document nursing activities, referrals to outside agencies, and health communication with parents and teachers. Use of these sample forms is optional. In some cases, such as the student health history form and the immunization certificate, more than one sample is provided. When more than one option is presented, the individual nurse or the district may decide which sample best meets the local needs.

If similar health information is collected through an adopted computerized student health management system, some of the forms in this section may not be necessary.

Working with the school administrator, each school nurse will determine the appropriate method of storing and producing reports of student health information based on the following factors: the needs of the individual school and the district; access to an adopted computerized student health management system; the availability of computer equipment in the individual school; and the completion of computer training on the computerized student health management software by the nurse.

Forms are available on DoDEA's Web site and on CD for personalization by a particular school or school nurse. DDESS should use appropriate state forms not available on DoDEA's Web site or CD.

#### H.1 Student Health History

#### H.2 Immunization Forms

- H.2.1 Certificate of Immunization, Last Date Only
- H.2.2 Certificate of Immunization, All Dates, Under 5 Years Version

#### H.2.3 [AU: There is no form H.2.3.]

- H.2.4 Incomplete Immunizations, Registration
- H.2.5 Delinquent Immunizations, Notice of
- **H.2.6** Disenrollment, Incomplete Immunizations

#### H.3 Medication Forms

- H.3.1 Medication During School Day, Memorandum for Parents
- **H.3.2** Medication During School Hours, Physician/Parent Signatures
- H.3.3 Medication "Hold Harmless" Permission Form
- **H.3.4** Medication Log, Study Trip Administration
- H.3.5 Medication Incident Report
- **H.3.6** Student Allergic Reaction Information

- **H.3.7** Anaphylactic Emergency Information
- H.3.8 Standing Order
- H.3.9 Student Retention of Medications, Permission for
- **H.3.10** Medication Inservice

#### H.4 Medical Referral Forms

- H.4.1 Vision Screening Referral
- **H.4.2** Hearing Screening Referral
- H.4.3 Scoliosis Screening Referral
- **H.4.4** Dental Screening Report
- H.4.5 Health Screening Record, Student
- H.4.6 Student Health Referral
- H.4.7 Medical Referral
- **H.4.8** Adaptive Physical Education Recommendations
- H.4.9 Request for Specialized Health Care Procedures, Parents and Physician
- H.4.10 Patient Assessment Checklist
- H.4.11 Head Injury
- H.4.12 Head Injury Flow Sheet
- **H.4.13** Eye Injury Flow Sheet
- **H.4.14** Shock Flow Sheet
- H.4.15 Fractures, Dislocations, Sprains/Strains, Contusions

#### H.5 Memorandums for Teachers

**H.5.1** Confidential Health Problems

H.5.2 Confidential Health Condition, Student

H.5.3 Behavioral Checklist for Suspected Chemical Abuse

#### H.6 Notices to Parents/Sponsors

H.6.1 Parent Notice of Scoliosis ScreeningH.6.2 Parent Notice of PediculosisH.6.3 Additional Medical Information, Request for

## H.7 Accident/Injury Reports

#### H.8 Asthma Documentation and Forms

H.8.1 Parent Letter, Peak Flow Monitoring

- H.8.2 Referral to Physician
- H.8.3 Asthma Management Plan
- H.8.4 Asthma Information, Request for

#### H.9 ADHD Documentation and Forms

- H.9.1 Referral, Teacher to Nurse
- **H.9.2** Health Assessment, Individualized, ADD/ADHD Referral
- H.9.3 Physician Report to Nurse

**H.9.4** ADD/ADHD Monitoring Scale, DoDEA

**H.9.5** ADD/ADHD Monitoring Scale, Interpretation

#### H.10 History/Informational Forms

- **H.10.1** Health Assessment
- H.10.2 Preschool Functional Screening

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY STUDENT HEALTH HISTORY

			HEALTH HISTORY		
	PONSOI		REFULLY AND CHECK (V) ALL CO	NDITIONS TI CHECK	AT APPLY TO YOUR CHILD. ✓ Date of Birth:
Student #		STUDENT'S NAME (Prin	10 LAST FIRST M.I.		
Grade				Male	/_/
			EALTH HISTORY		
VISUAL DEFECT		COMMENTS			COMMENTS
			CARDIOVASCULAR		COMPLEANES
WEARS GLASSES		For reading ONLY or     Wears full-time	SICKLE CELL DISORDER		
CONTACTS			ANEMIA		
COLOR DEFICIENCY			CONGENITAL HEART		
OTHER			RHEUMATOID HEART		
HEARING DEFECT			HEART MURMUR		
EAR INFECTIONS		Last date:	RESTRICTIONS YES 🗍 NO [		Explain:
Frequency:					
TUBE IN EAR(S) Left [] Right []		Date of insertion:	OTHER		
HEARING LOSS			RESPIRATORY		
MILD		Date of diagnosis:	ASTHMA		Inhaler needed:
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MODERATE		Date of diagnosis:	BRONCHITIS		
Left Right					
SEVERE		Date of diagnosis:	CYSTIC FIBROSIS		
HEARING AID(S)		Date:	TUBERCULOSIS		Type of treatment:
Left 🗍 Right 🗍			Date of diagnosis:		Date of treatment:
CONGENITAL BAR			NOSEBLEEDS		Frequency:
DEFECT Left 🗍 Right 🗍					
ALLERGIES		ANA Kit Required	SINUSITIS	<u> </u>	Frequency:
BEE STING		YES NO	DERMATOLOGY		
FOOD Specify:		YES 🗌 NO 🗍	PROBLEMS WITH BODY PIERCING/TATOOS		
DRUG		YES NO	FEVER BLISTERS		
Specify:			COLD SORES		
ENVIRONMENTAL			CONTACT DERMATITIS		
SEASONAL			ÁCNE		
LACTOSE			ECZEMA		
INTOLERANCE			275 A % (275)Y5Y (279)		
ENDOCRINE			DANDRUFF		
DIABETES Date of diagnosis:		Insulin needed: @ school YES [] NO [] @ home YES [] NO []	TINEA (RINGWORM) Body 🗌 Head 🗍 Feet [		
HYPERGLYCEMIC			MUSCULOSKELETAL		
HYPOGLYCEMIC			ARTHRITIS		
THYROID DISORDER			MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY		
PARASITES (HISTORY OF)			HISTORY OF FRACTURE Explain:		Date.
MALARIA			SCOLIOSIS		Date of diagnosis:
PINWORMS			DEFORMITY		<u> </u>
6123 & C212	+		Explain:		······
SCABIES -			HERNIA	<u> </u>	
HEAD LICE	<u>ا</u> ا		OSGOOD-SCHLATTER		1

		STUDENT HEALTH	HISTORY - (CONTI	NUE	D)	
NEUROLOGICAL		COMMENTS	GASTROINTESTINAL/ GENITOURINARY		COMMENTS	
CEREBRAL PALSY			BLADDER CONTROL PROBLEMS			
SEIZURE DISORDER		Date of last seizure: Medication needed: @ school YES NO 0 @ home YES 0 NO 0	URINARY TRACT INFECTION Frequency:		Date of last infection:	
MIGRAINE Prequency:		Date of last migraine: Medication needed: @ school YES NO @ home YES NO D	BOWEL CONTROL PROBLEMS Explain:			
SPINA BIFIDA			DENTAL			
SLEEP DISORDER			BRACES			
HEADACHES Frequency:			CAVITIES Date of last dental exam:			
PSYCHIATRIC			CANKER SORES	{		
ATTENTION DEFICT (HYPERACTIVITY) DISORDER ADD/ADHD		Date of diagnosis: Medication needed: @ school YES [] NO [] @ home YES [] NO []	NUTRITION METABOLIC			
DEPRESSION Date of diagnosis		Medication needed: @ school YES [] NO [] @ home YES [] NO []	NUTRITIONAL PROBLEMS Explain:			
AUTISM		terre	OVERWEIGHT/OBESE			
SUICIDAL, History of		Date:	POOR APPETITE			
SUBSTANCE ABUSE, History of		Circle: Drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and/or inhalants Date:	and/or inhalants			
ANOREXIA			THUMBSUCKING			
BULIMIA			MOTION SICKNESS			
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Date: 1. no./day/yr.	ength o					
SPACE BEL	OW FO	R PARENT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONA	L INFORMATION CONCER	NING (	OTHER MEDICAL CONDITIONS	
		( <b>?</b> )	EASE PRINT)			
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#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

#### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

AUTHORITY: 10 U.S.C. 113, 126, 2164 and 20 U.S.C. 921-932; E.O 9387; the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 552a.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: The information may be used within the Department of Defense (DoD) to determine what immunizations have been administered for purposes of determining enrollment eligibility and for use in preserving school health.

**ROUTINES USE(S):** The Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) may release information without prior consent with the DoD when needed to perform an official DoD duty, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(b). In addition, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3), information contained therein may be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to "Blanket Routine Uses," as published at <u>http://www.defenselink.mil/privacy/notice/osd</u>, for example, for valid medical, law enforcement or security purposes, or for use in litigation involving the DoD.

DISCLOSURE: Disclosure to the Agency of the information requested on this form is voluntary; but failure to provide all requested information may result in the delay or denial of student services.

Students who enroll in DoDEA schools MUST meet specific immunization requirements. These requirements, displayed below, represent the minimum requirement and do not necessarily reflect the optimal immunization status for a student. This copy of the DoDEA Immunization Requirements is provided to parents for informational purposes. This form does not need to be completed by medical authority. However, some type of medical proof of immunization must be completed by medical authority and provided to school officials at the time of initial registration. This form may be used by medical officials if so desired. If this form is used by medical officials, page 4 must be completed.

STUDENT:		Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY):					
IMMUNIZATION	Dose Number	Name of Vaccine	Date Immunized	MINIMUM DøD REQUIREMENTS *			
	#1			<ul> <li>Four (4) doses. At least one dose must be administered <u>after</u> the 4<sup>th</sup> birthday.</li> <li>*ACIP Recommendation:</li> <li>The usual schedule is a primary series of 4 doses at 2m, 4m, 6m, and 15-18m of age.</li> <li>If the fourth dose of DT, DTP or DTaP is administered before the fourth birthday, a</li> </ul>			
	#2						
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis e.g., DTP, DtaP, DTwP, DT,	#3						
DtaP-Hib, DtaP-HepB-IPV, Tdap,Td	#4			booster (fifth) dose is recommended at 4-6 years of age (5 <sup>a</sup> ).			
10ap,11	#5*			Td or Tdap booster doses: A single Tdap booster dose is recommended for children 1			
	#5 <sup>6</sup>			years old, if 5 years elapsed since the last dose; then boost every 10 years with Td (5 <sup>b</sup> ).			
Hepatitis A c.g., HepA	#1			Two (2) doses. ACIP Recommendation:			
	#2			<ul> <li>HepA is recommended for all children at 1 year of age.</li> <li>The two doses in the series should be administered at least 6 months apart.</li> </ul>			

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

IMMUNIZATION	Dose Number	Name of Date Vaccine Inimunized	MINIMUM DoD REQUIREMENTS *		
			Three (3) doses.		
	#1		ACIP Recommendation: • The standard schedule is 0, 1 and 6 months.		
Hepatitis B e.g., HepB, Hib-HepB, DTaP- HepB-IPV	#2		<ul> <li>The first dose is recommended shortly after birth, with the second dose administered age 1 to 2 months. The third dose should be administered at age ≥ 24 weeks.</li> <li>Merck's Recombivax-HB brand of HepB vaccine can be given as a 2-dose series for adolescents 11 to 15 years of age.</li> </ul>		
	#3		<ul> <li>Catch-up schedule:</li> <li>3-dose series may be started at any age.</li> <li>Minimum spacing for children and teens: 4 weeks between dose 1 and dose 2, and 8 weeks between dose 2 and dose 3.</li> </ul>		
	#1		Two (2) to four (4) doses. ACIP Recommendation:		
Haemophilus influenzae type b	#2		<ul> <li>Primary immunization occurs at 2m, 4m, 6m, and 12m to 15m (booster dose).</li> <li>For Merck's PedvaxHIB brand of Hib vaccine, 3 doses are needed (2, 4, and 12-15m).</li> </ul>		
e.g., Hib, Hib-HepB, DtaP-Hib	#3		<ul> <li>Catch-up schedule:</li> <li>If dose 1 is given at 12-14m, give a booster dose 8 weeks later.</li> <li>Unvaccinated children from the ages of 15m up to 5 years need only 1 dose.</li> <li>Hib is not routinely given to children 5 years old and older.</li> </ul>		
	#4				
Polio e.g., IPV, DTap-HepB-IPV	#1		Three (3) doses. At least one dose must be administered after the 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday.		
Note: Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV)	#2		ACIP Recommendation:		
counts for immunization requirements, but is no longer	#3		<ul> <li>Usual schedule is a primary series of 4 doses at 2m, 4m, 6-18m, and 4-6 years of age.</li> <li>All doses should be separated by at least 4 weeks.</li> </ul>		
distributed in the U.S.	#4		• If dose 3 is given after the 4 <sup>th</sup> birthday, dose 4 is not needed.		
Meningococcal			<ul> <li>ACIP Recommendation:</li> <li>Meningococcal vaccine (MCV4). Meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4) should be given to all children at the 11-12 year old visit as well as to unvaccinated adolescents at high school entry (15 years of age). Other adolescents who wish to decrease their risk for meningococcal disease may also be vaccinated.</li> <li>All college freshmen living in dormitories should also be vaccinated, preferably with MCV4, although meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine (MPSV4) is an acceptable alternative.</li> <li>Vaccination against invasive meningococcal disease is recommended for children and adolescents aged ≥ 2 years with terminal complement deficiencies or anatomic or functional asplenia and certain other high risk groups (see MMWR 2005;54 [RR-7]:1-21); use MPSV4 for children aged 2-10 years and MCV4 for older children, although MPSV4 is an acceptable alternative.</li> </ul>		

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

IMMUNIZATION	Dose Number	Name of Vaccine	Date Immunized	MINIMUM DoD REQUIREMENTS *
Measles, Mumps, Rubella e.g., MMR, MMRV	#1			Two (2) doses.         ACIP Recommendation:         • Dose 1 is given at 12-15m of age.         • Dose 2 is recommended routinely at age 4-6 years, but may be administered at any visit
	#2			<ul> <li>Dose 2 is recommended notating at age 4-5 years, but may be automatered at any visit if 4 weeks have elapsed since the first dose and both doses are administered beginning at or after age 12 months.</li> <li>Those who have not previously received the second dose should complete the schedule by age 11-12 years.</li> </ul>
	Date of last test:		Result:	Tuberculosis (TB) testing recommended. Frequency determined by local medical command.
PPI) TB tine/monovac		No Varcination Required	Negative	If positive, date of chest X-ray: ////////////////////////////////////
				Date INH treatment completed:
	#1			ACIP Recommendation: • Immunize all children age 1 year and older, including adolescents who have not had
	#2			chickenpox.
Varicella e.g. Var, MMRV	History of naturally sequired chickenpox		Date:	<ul> <li>Susceptible children age 1 year and older receive 1 dose.</li> <li>Susceptible people age 13 and older should receive two (2) doses at least 4 to 8 weeks apart.</li> </ul>
				Immunization is NOT required in people with a history of natural disease (chickenpox).
Notes	k			
<ul> <li>* Advisory Committee on Immunit</li> <li>* The fifth dose is not required if th</li> <li>* Second dose required only in sus</li> </ul>	he fourth dose wi	is given on or after		

<sup>b</sup> Second dose required only in susceptible people 13 years old or older.
 \* The standard and catch-up pediatric and adolescent immunization schedules adopted by the CDC are posted at <u>www.dcd.gov/nip/recs/child-schedule-color-print.pdf</u> and <u>www.cdc.gov/nip/recs/adult-schedule.pdf</u>.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNIZATION

STUDENT:	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY):
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Immunization records for the student named above have been reviewed at	Location of Clinic
I certify that the minimum immunization requirements have been comple	
Ter my mat me minimum manufantion requirements have been compre	
Immunizations are current untilwhen im	munization(s) is/are due.
Signature and Stamp of Medical Authority	Date
A request for an immunization waiver for medical reasons must be supported by officia	al documents from a medical authority and provided to the school at the time of registration.
I certify that the minimum immunization requirements have been waived.	
X	Beagen
Immunization(s):	Reason:
Waiver Duration:	
Waiver Duration: Signature and Stamp of Medical Authority	Date
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MARCH 2007

H.2.4

#### [Insert school letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

	DATE:
M	EMORANDUM for: Parents/Sponsor of
SU	JBJECT: Incomplete Immunizations
1.	DoDEA <i>Manual 2942.0</i> states that <i>prior</i> to enrollment in DoDEA schools, students shall meet specific immunization requirements.
2.	The following required immunizations are missing from your child's immunization records:
	or
	Provide reliable history (monthyear)

- 3. \_\_\_\_\_No immunization records on file with the child's school records
- 4. Have your child's records reviewed as soon as possible by [*insert name and hours of local medical treatment facility*].
- 5. DoDEA Form 2942.0-M-F1, August 2006, is attached and may be completed by the medical authority reviewing your child's immunization records.

OR

6. Bring the completed DoDEA Form 2942.0-M-F1, August 2006, or a valid Certificate of Immunization such as an official military certificate of immunization, a World Health Organization certificate of immunization, a copy of an official electronic medical record of immunization or other valid medical records as certified by medical personnel to include historical proof of immunity to disease, to school as soon as possible, so that enrollment requirements for your child are complete.

## Your child's registration for school year [insert year] will not be complete until we receive documentation of required immunizations.

If you have any questions, please call [insert school nurse name and number].

[insert name of principal]

DATE:

MEMORANDUM for: Parents/Sponsor of \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: Delinquent Immunizations and/or Proof of Immunizations

- 1. *DoDEA Manual 2942.0* states that *prior* to enrollment in DoDEA schools, students shall meet specific immunization requirements.
- 2. Our records indicate that your child needs additional immunizations to meet the minimum DoDEA requirements for continued enrollment.
- 3. The following immunizations are lacking:

- 4. A copy of your child's immunization record.
- 5. *DoDEA Manual 2942.0* gives parents of currently enrolled students **10 DAYS** to provide the school with documentation satisfying the requirements, prior to disenrolling the student.

Bring your child's updated immunization record to school as soon as possible, but no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_.

If you have any questions, please call [insert school nurse name and school number].

[insert name of principal]

### [insert school letterhead] Office of the School Principal

DATE:\_\_\_\_\_

MEMORANDUM for: Parents/Sponsor of \_\_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Disenrollment – Incomplete Immunizations

According to *DoDEA Health Service Guide, DS Manual 2942.0* a student may be enrolled in a DoDEA school no longer than 10 days without a valid DoDEA Certificate of Immunization (or other valid medical records certified by medical personnel).

As indicated in the written notice sent to you, the 10-day grace period expired on \_\_\_\_\_\_. Today is the last day your family member may attend school until proof of the necessary immunizations is provided to the principal.

[Insert name of principal]

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORANDUM for: Parents/Sponsor of \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Student Use of Medication During the School Day

The school nurse accommodates parent requests for medication (including prescription, nonprescription, and over-the-counter) to be administered during the school day. According to *DoDEA Health Service Guide, DS Manual 2942.0,* school personnel may administer medications when certain criteria are met.

In order for school personnel to administer medications during school hours, the attached form *MUST* be provided to the school signed by the **parent** and a **physician**.

The medication will be in the original container, **properly labeled by the pharmacy or physician.** The label should indicate the name of the student and the physician, the medication, dosage, and frequency. The date of the prescription must be a current date.

All medications will remain at the school for the duration of the prescription. Any changes in the medication, dosage, or frequency will necessitate **a new form and a new, labeled container.** 

Medications for acute illness (such as bacterial infections) are usually prescribed for administration three times a day and may be administered by the parent before school, after school, and before bedtime.

Please call *[insert school nurse name and phone]* if you have any further concerns.

[Insert name and title]

-	<i>name of school]</i> :he School Nurse
To be completed by physician Name of Student:	
Diagnosis/Indication for Medication Adm	inistration:
Medication: Do	sage:
Time: Ro	ute:
Duration:	
Possible Side Effects:	
Precautions/Restrictions:	
Other Medications Taken:	
Signature of Physician	Date
Clinic:	Phone:
give permission for the school nurse and health	to receive, from the onnel, the above prescription at school as ity to furnish the school with this medication. I h care providers at the medical treatment facilit iagnosis for which this medication is prescribed,
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date
Parent daytime phone number #1	, #2,
#3	

**Department of Defense Education Activity** 

**NOTE:** The prescription medication must be brought to school in the original container, properly labeled by the pharmacy or physician, stating the name of the student, the medication, the dosage, and current date. The medication will remain at school for the duration of the prescription.

			H.3.3
HOLD HARMLES (THIS FORM IS SUBJECT TO THE		DATE	22-Dec-02
	ACY ACT STATEMENT		
AUTHORITY: 44 USC 3101. PRINCIPAL PURPOSES: administering of medications to your child in accordance wi written assurance to said authorized individuals that they wi of medication in accordance with your instructions and the i your child's school health record and will not be released ou form is needed to insure the safe administering of medicatio provide the service requested by you.	(1) To provide necessary information to at th your instructions and the instructions of ll not be held responsible for any harm or nstructions of your child's physician. RO ttside DOD channels. DISCLOSURE: Vo	Your child's physician injury suffered as a res UTINE USES: This fo pluntary. The informat	n; (2) To provide sult of the administering orm will be included in tion requested on this
NAME OF CHILD	BIRTH DATE	NAME OF	SCHOOL
We, the parents of, wish to advise	you that he/she is under the care o	f Dr for	and that the
physician has furnished medications together with	h written instructions for administe	ering the medication	ons to alleviate this
condition. The medication(s), physician's instruc-	ctions, and times for administering	the medication(s)	are as follows:
PHYSICIAN'S INSTI	RUCTIONS TO SCHOOL P	ERSONNEL	
Due to the nature of the medications(s) a medication(s) listed below be administer		), it is necessary	y that the
Medication(s) P	hysician's Instructions	Hour(s) For A	Administering
Anticipated number of days the medication( PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE	s) must be given at school ( PHONE	_) Date	
We are delivering to you the medication(	s) and the physician's written instr	uctions and reques	st this medication
be given to our child in accordance with the abov	e instructions. We fully understan	d that you are und	er no obligation
whatsoever to administer the medication but will			-
solely for this purpose.			5
We agree to hold you, the school, its offi	ces, agents, and employees harmle	ss in administering	g the medication(s)
pursuant to the physician's written instructions an	nd our instructions as to the times f	or administering the	he medication(s).
We further agree to notify you promptly when it	is no longer necessary to administe	er this medication.	
PARENT'S SIGNATURE	HOME PHONE	DUTY PHO	DNE
	HOME ADDRESS		

## [insert school letterhead]

### **Office of the School Nurse**

## STUDY TRIP MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION LOG

STUDENT'S NAME:\_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER/GRADE LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE & TIME	MEDICATION/DOSE	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS	SIGNATURE	COMMENTS

This form is a part of the permanent record for students receiving medication during school hours. Fill in the above areas with the date and time the medication was given and the signature of the person administering the medication. *Only DoDEA personnel or the parent of the student is allowed to administer medications.* 

[Insert name of school nurse.]

H.3.4

## **Medication Incident Report**

STUDENT'S NAME:		
DATE OF INCIDENT:	TIME:	
Personnel Administering Medio	cation:	
Medication and Dosage Prescri	ibed:	
INCIDENT:		
ACTION TAKEN:		
Physician Notified: Time	Person Contacted: Person Contacted: Person Contacted:	
Describe circumstances leading to	situation:	
Outcome/Follow-up:		
Nurse's Signature Date	Principal's Signature	Date

			Date	
MEMORANDUM for: Parents/Sponsor	of:			
SUBJECT: Allergies				
	ire belov	w and ret	hat she/he has allergies. To better assist your child at turn it to the school health office. If you have any	:
1. What are your child's allergies? Animals Bees Drugs		ironment	al Food Insect bites Wasps	
Indicate specific allergens:				
2. What kind of reaction does your	child e	xperien	ce?	
Localized swelling	Shor	tness of l	breath	
Loss of consciousness	Hives	s (urticari	a)	
Other:				
3. How has your child been treated	l after a	a reactio	on?	
a. Received an injection:	NO	YES	Specify:	_
b. Received oral medication:	NO	YES	Specify:	_
c. Been hospitalized:	NO	YES	Specify:	
4. Does your child carry an Epi-Per	n, ANA-I	Kit, or o	ther medicine with her/him at all times? NO	YES
5. Do you keep an Epi-Pen, ANA-Ki	t, or ot	her med	licine at home? NO	YES

If you answered YES to either of the last two questions, the school should also have medication for your child. Bring the completed "Medication During School Hours" form (attached) and the labeled medication container to school. If your child must also carry the medication with him/her at school, please provide a completed "Permission for Student to Retain Control of Medication" form.

Parent/Sponsor Signature

Date

### ANAPHYLACTIC EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Name of Student:	Date:
Teacher(s):	Grade:
Name of Parents:	
Sponsor:	Duty #:
Spouse:	Duty #:
Home #:	Cell #:
E-mail Address:	
Emergency Contact:	
Name:	Day Phone #:
Address:	Alt. Phone #:
Allergen:	
Previous Response to Allergen	·

### **EMERGENCY PLAN OF ACTION:**

### Monitor student for signs of anaphylaxis under direct observation for 30 minutes.

a. Sneezing, wheezing, or coughing	i. Dizziness and/or fainting
b. Shortness of breath or tightness of chest; difficulty in or absence of breathing	j. Involuntary bowel or bladder emptying
c. Itching, with or without hives, raised red rash in any area of body	k. Sense of impending disaster
d. Difficulty swallowing	I. Rapid or weak pulse
e. Swelling of eyes, lips, face, tongue, throat, or elsewhere	m. Skin flushing or extreme paleness
f. Hoarseness	n. Burning sensation, especially on face or chest
g. Sweating and anxiety	o. Blueness around lips, inside lips, eyelids
h. Nausea, abdominal pain, vomiting, and diarrhea	p. Loss of consciousness
FROM	Т

## For anaphylactic reaction:

- 1. Administer epinephrine per medical orders. DOSAGE:

   Type of kit:
   \_\_\_\_\_\_ Epi-Pen Jr.

   Expiration date:
   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

   Location of kit in school:
   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Delegate notification of

Principal by:
Parent by:
Medical Emergency Services by:

3. For absent breathing/pulse, initiate CPR.

Monitor pulse, respiration, blood pressure until arrival of EMS (every 5 minutes until stable, then every 15 minutes).

4. If anaphylaxis is result of insect sting and stinger is present, scrape or flick it off with fingernail, plastic card, etc.

Staff inservice on use of epinephrine

- 1. Date of inservice:
- 3. Designated order of staff to administer epinephrine:

- #1\_\_\_\_\_
- #2\_\_\_\_\_
- #3\_\_\_\_\_ #4

Follow-up after use of epinephrine:

- 1. Sign and place all observations, notification, and documentation in student's record.
- 2. Properly dispose of needles in a sharps container.
- 3. Notify parents to replace medicines used.
- 4. Meet with all personnel involved. Plan update as necessary.

School nurse should review procedure on an annual basis. Physician orders must be renewed annually.

Time, date, and signature of the person administering the medication must be on file.

[Insert name of school nurse]

### [insert school letterhead] Office of the School Nurse STANDING ORDER FOR USE OF EPI-PEN OR ANA-KIT

In the absence of a medical director of DoDEA schools, I \_\_\_\_\_

(print name of physician)

authorize the following nursing protocol to address anaphylaxis at [insert school name].

Anaphylaxis is an allergic reaction that may be triggered by asthma, an insect bite, a drug allergy, or a food allergy. In the event of anaphylaxis, the Epi-Pen will be used for students enrolled in grades preschool through 12. The following procedure should be followed by a school nurse or designated nonprofessional first-aid provider trained by a licensed registered school nurse.

School nurses are authorized, when they encounter a student with a systemic reaction believed to be anaphylaxis, to administer subcutaneous epinephrine, even if this drug has not been previously prescribed for this student.

SYMPTOMS:	Mild	Rash, itching, hives
	Moderate	Breathing difficulty, wheezing
	Severe	Severe breathing difficulty, vascular collapse
	Anaphylaxis	Laryngeal swelling, cardiac arrest

**DOSAGE MUST BE CHECKED** before administration according to the schedule below.

### When using the EPI-PEN JR./EPI-PEN:

0.15 Mg. for children 30 Kg. or less (Epi-Pen Jr.)

0.3 Mg. for children greater than 30 Kg. (Epi-Pen)

*Immediately contact the emergency response system for your area*. Notify the parent/guardian. If before reaching medical care facility, the child has not responded to the first dose of epinephrine or if respiratory/cardiovascular status seems to be deteriorating, a second dose of epinephrine may be given after 15–20 minutes.

### IF IN DOUBT, TREAT FOR ANAPHYLACTIC REACTION.

Physician

Date

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## Permission for Student to Retain Control of Medication

(All three sections must be completed and signed.)

### Section 1 (To be completed by physician)

Name of student:	Age:	Grade:	
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Diagnosis:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Duration of treatment: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Times of day/circumstances under which medication is to be given:

Reason student must have possession of medication at all times:

Expected results from using the medication:

Expected time frame to achieve results following medication administration:

What student should do if the expected results are not obtained in the specified time frame:

I have instructed the student and the student's parent in the proper use and method of administering this medication and the legal consequences of using the medication inconsistently with the prescription or of sharing the medication with anyone else. I have provided the student and his/her parents with the following instructions regarding the symptoms of possible adverse reactions, contraindications, and what to do if student experiences difficulty with or while taking the medication:

The student's medical condition is such that the student must be in possession and control of the medication at all times and be free to administer the medication when needed. **In my opinion, the student possesses sufficient maturity and responsibility to follow my instructions.** 

Physician's signature:	P	hone:	Date:
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### Section 2 (To be completed by parent)

Name of parent(s):\_\_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the physician's statement and hereby consent to my child's retaining possession at all time of the above prescribed medication. I understand, and have informed my child, that any illegal use of the medication by the student (including the use of the medicine inconsistent with the prescription or sharing the medication with another) will result in disciplinary action. **During school hours my child has been instructed to take his/her medication in the nurse's office. I will provide extra medication to be kept in the school nurse's office as backup for the one carried by my child.** 

Parent's signature:	[	Date:
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### \*Section 3 (To be completed by student)

I understand that I am required to retain possession and control of my prescribed medication in accordance with the terms set forth in Section 1 above. I have been advised of my responsibility to use my medication only in strict accordance with the prescription. I understand that any use of my medication inconsistent with the terms of my prescription is an illegal use, as is the sharing of my medication with another person. I agree to carry a pharmacy-labeled container of the medication, to keep a record of the times I use my medication, and to share the information with the nurse/instructor/coach who will help evaluate and monitor the effects of my medication. During school hours I will take my medication under the supervision of the school nurse or the person designated by the school nurse and the school administrator.

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Guidance on the age of the student who signs this form needs to be obtained prior to its use.

## [insert school name] Office of the School Nurse

## **MEDICATION INSERVICE**

I have read the information on medication administration and I am aware of the uses, dosages, contraindications, and adverse reactions of the medications that I will give as outlined on the drug information sheet in the Sub File.

I have received training from the school nurse in the following areas:

- 1. Method of Administration
- 2. Proper Handling of Medications
- 3. Record Keeping
- 4. "Five Rights of Medication"

Date:	Signature:		
		Trainee	

Date:\_\_\_\_\_Signature:\_\_\_\_

[insert school nurse's name]

### VISION SCREENING REFERRAL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:** Vision Screening Referral

TO: Parents of \_\_\_\_\_

1. Your child's vision has been checked by school health officials and the findings indicate the following:

Your child should be scheduled for a complete examination at the *eye clinic*.
 Children wearing glasses are recommended to have a yearly eye examination.
 (*Please take this form with you to the appointment.*)

- 2. For an appointment, call *[insert local medical resource numbers]. Return the form completed by the physician to the school nurse.*
- 3. If you have any questions concerning the screening results or any problem getting an appointment, please contact *[insert name and school number]*.
- 4. Screening results: with/without glasses:

Distance	: Right _	20/	Left	20/
Near:	Right	20/	Left	20/
Commen	ts:			

1.	Vision without glasses:	OD <u>20/</u>	OS <u>20/</u>					
2.	Vision corrected to:	OD <u>20/</u>	OS <u>20/</u>					
3.	Ocular health:	Normal	Abnormal					
4.	Extraocular muscle balance:	Normal	Abnormal					
5.	Heterophoria/Heterotropia:	No Deviation	Deviation					
Со	mments:							
6.	6. Are glasses to be worn at all times? Yes No							
7.	Specific recommendations (read	ing glasses only, etc.)						
8.	Future clinic appointment date?							
		Examiner/Date						
	1) Original to physician 2) Copy	returned to school nurse	3) Copy for student file					

### HEARING SCREENING REFERRAL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To: Parents of \_\_\_\_\_

School health officials have checked your child's hearing. The findings indicate the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Your child should be scheduled for a complete examination by your primary health care provider.

\_\_\_\_\_ Your child should be scheduled for an audiology exam.

1. Return the form completed by the physician/audiologist to the school nurse after your child has been evaluated.

2. If you have any questions concerning the screening results or any problem getting an appointment, please contact *[insert name and school number]*.

### 3. School Audiogram Results (Record dB that each Hz was heard)

	RIGHT		LEFT	
	500 @	2000 @	500 @	2000 @
	1000 @	4000 @	1000 @	4000 @
Tymp OAE: Visua Comr	ry: OTM Fluid banomatry: Type A _ Pass Fail I Inspection: Canal _ ments:	d E.T. Dysf Type B Not Don	Tubes N Type C e T.M	lot Known Not Done
2. P 3. R 4. F	ssessment: lan: ecommendations: ollow-up scheduled/d eeds repeat audiogra	ue on:		
			Physician's signal	ture Date

1) Original to physician

2) Copy returned to school nurse

3) Copy for student file

### SUBJECT: Scoliosis Screening Referral

TO: Parents of \_\_\_\_\_

1. Your child was screened at school for possible spinal problems. The findings indicate that further examination is recommended. See back of form for screening results.

2. Please make an appointment with your primary care physician. After the appointment, return the form completed by the physician to the school nurse.

3. If you have any questions concerning the screening results or any problem obtaining an appointment, please contact the school nurse at [insert local telephone number].

### INFORMATION TO SCHOOL NURSE

- 1. Assessment:
- 2. Plan:

3. Recommendations:

4. Follow-up scheduled/due on:

Physician's signature

Date

1) Original to physician 2) Copy returned to school nurse 3)

3) Copy for student file



# **SCREENING FOR SCOLIOSIS**

### Normal

- · head centered over mid-
- buttocks shoulders level
- · shoulder blades level, with equal prominence
- hips level and symmetrical
- equal distance between arms and body

### **Possible Scoliosis**

- head alignment to one side of mid-buttocks
- one shoulder higher one shoulder blade higher with possible prominence
- one hip more prominent than the other
- unequal distance between arms and body



**Possible Scoliosis** • unequal symmetry of the upper back, lower back or both



## Also Screen for Kyphosis:

Normal

Normal .

even and symmetrical on

both sides of the upper

and lower back

## Normal

- both sides of upper and lower back symmetrical
- hips level and symmetrical

**Possible Scoliosis** • one side of rib cage and/or the lower back showing uneven symmetry



### Possible Kyphosis ("round back") lack of smooth arc with prominence of shoulders and round back

 smooth symmetrical even arc of the back

Reference: Adapted from National Scoliosis Foundation, Inc., Belmont, MA, 1 in Every 10 Persons Has Scoliosis

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### SUBJECT: Dental Screening Report

TO: Parents of

### [place student label here]

As part of the *[insert name of school]*'s preventive dentistry program for children, your child has had his/her teeth visually inspected today. This exam is intended to identify dental problems that are visible to the eye and is not a substitute for a regular dental examination at the dental clinic. No x-rays were taken.

# YOUR CHILD:

- has no visible dental problems; should still have regular check-ups to include dental xrays.
- has some visible dental problems; should be seen at the dental clinic for a thorough examination.
- has been noted to have *severe* dental problems that require *immediate* attention.

Make an appointment for your child at the dental clinic listed below to which the sponsor is assigned. If your child has been noted to have severe dental problems and is currently not under treatment, please call or visit the clinic as soon as possible to begin treatment **before** your child has a dental emergency.

[Insert name and phone number of local dental clinic.]

# **KEEP YOUR SMILE HEALTHY!!!**

- 1. Brush and floss your teeth every day. Children under 8 should get help from an adult at least once a day.
- 2. Reduce the frequency of sugary snacks and drinks.
- 3. Use fluoridated water and toothpaste to strengthen your teeth and prevent cavities.
- 4. Make a date and don't be late! See your dentist every year!

### **STUDENT HEALTH SCREENING RECORD**

Student: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE/ DATE	HT	WT	VIS R		RING /L	SCOLIOSIS	SPORTS PHYSICAL	COMMENTS

- Code:
- P Pass
- F Failed
- R Refer
- U Unable to Test
- D Deferred
- N/A Not Applicable

### **STUDENT HEALTH REFERRAL**

Name:		Date:	_ Time Sent:
Referring Adult:			
Head injury          Possible fracture          Seizure	Headache Joint injury Earache Cold symptoms	Sore throat Cut/laceration Stomach discom Possible fever	fort Eye problem
Comments:			
Observations:			
Vital Signs: @ Temp (as needed) @ Temp	_ BP Pulse	Resp LOC _	PERRLAEOM
Nursing Diagnosis (NANDA):			
Plan:			
Intervention (NIC): Rested Elev Health Counseling:			application Observed
Evaluation (NOC):			
Resolution:	s @ for belongings. Sen se's office rsician	d back to nurse's offic	
Parents Notified: No Yes ToNote sent home		Message left with	
Please:     [ ] Observe for     [ ] Have your child evaluated     [ ] Read attached health infor		care provider. (Form	attached)
<ul> <li>Re-admittance criteria</li> <li>a. Fever free for 24 hours after school</li> <li>b. No significant nausea, vomiting, or</li> <li>c. Chicken pox (Varicella) lesions crust</li> <li>d. Lice treatment initiated</li> <li>e. Impetigo lesions covered and under</li> <li>f. Conjunctivitis, signs of infection ha</li> <li>g. Ringworm covered, under care of r</li> <li>h. Scabies, 8 hours after first prescrib</li> </ul>	diarrhea for 24 hou sted and dry, at leas er care of medical pr ive cleared medical provider	r t 5–7 days from onset	

[Insert name and title]

1) Retain original in nurse's office 2) Copy for parent/physician 3) Copy for teacher

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Health Care Provider,

\_\_\_\_\_ was seen in the school nurse's office. Please evaluate and ask parents to return this form to the school nurse. If you have any questions, please call me at *[insert school phone number]*.

Thank you. [insert school nurse name].

Date

### HEALTH CARE PROVIDER EVALUATION

S:	
0:	
A:	
P:	
When may the student return to school?	
DoDEA criteria for re-admittance to school: a. Fever free for 24 hours after school excl b. No significant nausea, vomiting, or diarr c. Chicken pox (Varicella) lesions crusted a d. Lice treatment initiated	hea for 24 hours
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Any restrictions/limitations for physical educ	cation? NO YES (Please explain)
Will medications be needed during the scho (If yes, please con	ol day? NO YES mplete the attached form.)
Health Care Provider	

Signature/Stamp\_\_\_\_\_

### [insert school name] Office of the School Nurse

### ADAPTIVE PHYSICAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Name:	Birth Date:
Teacher:	Grade:
To Be Completed by Physician	
Diagnosis or description of condition	
Condition is: Permanent	Temporary
If temporary, when may unrestricted activity	resume?
Functional restrictions - This condition is such restricted as follows:	that the intensity and type of activities should be
<ul> <li> No competitive sports allowed.</li> <li> Activities should stop short of excessive</li> <li> No contact sports allowed; other activities</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Moderate exercise allowed, with all run</li> <li>Minimal activity allowed; training in coordination</li> <li>Avoid activities involving the following</li> <li>Recommended exercise:</li> </ul>	nning, jumping, and gymnastics excluded. ordination only; simple nonstrenuous activity.

Signature/Stamp of Physician

Date

Please call *[insert name and school phone number]* if you have any questions.

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### [insert school name] Office of the School Nurse

### PARENTS' REQUEST FOR SPECIALIZED HEALTH CARE PROCEDURE

We/I, the undersigned parent(s)/guardian(s) of \_\_\_\_\_\_,

request that the following specialized physical health care service be administered to our/my child.

(Name/type of service)

It is our/my understanding that the service will be administered using a standardized procedure.

We/I will notify the school immediately if the health status of our/my child changes, if we/I change physicians, or if the procedure is changed or canceled.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

## Parent daytime phone numbers:

Sponsor:	
Spouse:	
Home:	
Cell:	
Cell:	

### PHYSICIAN AUTHORIZATION FOR SPECIALIZED HEALTH CARE PROCEDURE

Student's Name:	Date of Birth:	
Student S Manie.	Date of Diftin	

1. Physical condition for which the standardized procedure is to be performed:

2. Name of standardized procedure: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Individualized instructions:

4. Precaution, possible untoward reactions, and interventions:

5. Time schedule and/or indication for the procedure:

6. The procedure is to continue until: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature/Stamp of Physician

Date

## PATIENT ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

(To be completed by the attending school nurse or designee)

NAME OF VICTIM: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE:

TIME:

SIGNATURE & TITLE OF RESPONDER: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Survey	Yes	No
Airway/Cervical Spine Stabilization		
Open airway (jaw thrust/chin lift)		
Remove debris		
Airway adjuncts		
Stabilize cervical spine (manual alignment)		
Breathing		
Look, listen, feel		
Rate, symmetry		
Auscultate breath sounds		
Circulation		
Palpate carotid		
Palpate radial (second responder)		
Jugular vein distention		
Skin temperature and color		
Disability/Limited Neuro Exam		
Level of consciousness		
AVPU		
Alert		
Verbal response		
Pain response		
Unresponsive		
Expose/Examine		
Expose/undress patient as needed		
Fahrenheit/Keep Patient Warm		
<b>V</b> ital Signs		

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Secondary Survey (Head to Toe) [AU: OK? First part says "Primary Survey."]	YES	NO
Head and Face		
Soft tissue injury		
Bone deformity/loose teeth		
Exposed bone or tissue		
Exposed bone of tissue Eye movement/pupillary response/PERRLAEOM		
Ear drainage/avulsion/bruise		
Nasal drainage		
Tenderness/pain		
Neck		
Soft tissue injury		
Impaled objects		
Tenderness/pain Tracheal deviation		_
Jugular vein distention		
Chest/Thorax		
Soft tissue injury		_
Rise and fall during respirations/symmetry		
Auscultate breath sounds		
Auscultate apical heart rate		
Tenderness/pain		
Impaled objects		
Abdomen/Flank		
Soft tissue injury		
Impaled objects		
Tenderness/pain		
Pelvis/Genitalia		
Soft tissue injury		
Impaled objects		
Bony deformities		
Urge to void		
Tenderness/pain		
Extremities		
Soft tissue injury		
Deformity		
Color		
Sensation		
Range of motion		
Tenderness/pain		
Pulse		
Posterior		
Log roll with manual cervical spine alignment		
Deformities		
Soft tissue injury		
Tenderness/pain		
Vital Signs		

VICTIM RELEASED TO: \_\_\_\_\_\_AT: \_\_\_\_\_\_BY:\_\_\_\_\_

## HEAD INJURY SHEET

Dear Parent,		Date:
		was seen today for an injury to the head.
Time	Place	
Part of the head receiving blow _		
Description of incident		

Your child was observed at school for the following symptoms, and no problems were noted. Please continue to watch for any of the following symptoms:

1. Severe headache (Do NOT give aspirin, Tylenol, or other pain relievers to mask symptoms.)

- 2. Excessive drowsiness (Awaken the child at least twice during the night.)
- 3. Nausea and/or vomiting

4. Double vision, blurred vision, pupils of different sizes, or pupils that do not constrict when a light is shone in them

5. Loss of muscle coordination, such as falling down, walking strangely, or staggering

6. Any unusual behavior such as being confused, breathing irregularly, or feeling dizzy

- 7. Convulsion
- 8. Bleeding or discharge from the ear, nose, or throat

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL MEDICAL FACILITY IF YOU NOTICE ANY OF THE ABOVE SYMPTOMS.

[insert school nurse name and phone number]

### **HEAD INJURY**

#### STUDENT NAME:

### WHEN, WHERE, HOW INJURY OCCURRED, COMPLAINTS REGARDING PAIN AND FUNCTION

TIME OF INCIDENT:

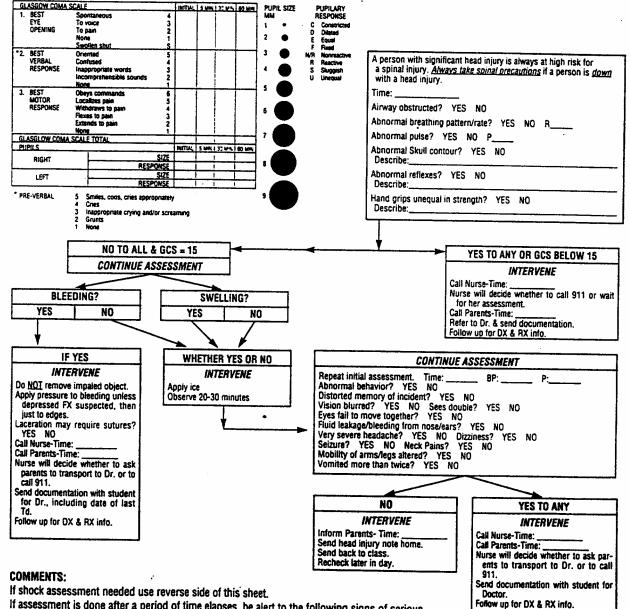
DATE:

### ARRIVAL TIME IN HEALTH OFFICE:

DEPARTURE TIME AND DISPOSITION:

SIGNATURE:

Record assessments & interventions by circling Yes, No, & intervention done, plus filling in blanks.



## If assessment is done after a period of time elapses, be alert to the following signs of serious head injury:

CUSHING'S TRIAD - Increased systolic BP, decreased heart rate, widened pulse pressure. Is a sign of increased intracranial pressure.

RACCOON EYES - Discoloration & swelling around both eyes. Suggests basilar skull FX or facial FX.

BATTLE'S SIGN - Discoloration & swelling behind one or both ears. Suggestive of basilar skull FX.

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### **EYE INJURY**

STUDENT NAME:

#### WHEN, WHERE, HOW INJURY OCCURRED, COMPLAINTS REGARDING PAIN AND FUNCTION

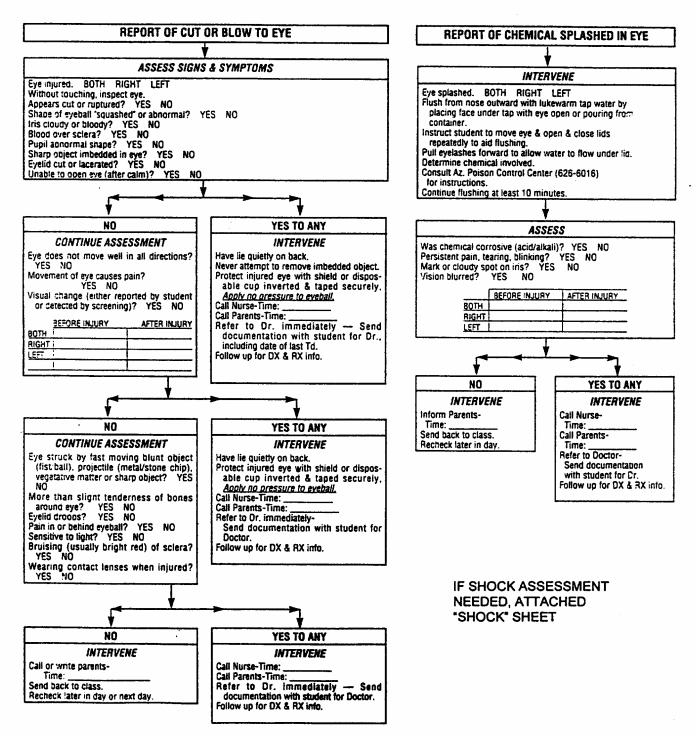
TIME OF INCIDENT:

DATE:

**ARRIVAL TIME IN HEALTH OFFICE:** 

DEPARTURE TIME AND DISPOSITION:

SIGNATURE:



SHOCK Record assessments & interventions by circling Yes, No, & intervention done, plus filling in blanks. ASSESS SIGNS & SYMPTOMS Rapid Breathing? YES NO ģ. 115 Rapid/weak pulse? YES NO Decreased BP? YES NO Time Restless or irritable? YES NO Pale/bluish, cool, moist skin? YES NO R Slow capillary filling time? YES NO P Heavy sweating? YES NO Dilated pupils? YES NO BP Duil, sunken look to eyes? YES NO Excessive thirst? YES NO Nausea/vomiting? YES NO . Drowsiness/loss of consciousness? YES NO YES, IS SHOCK NO, IS NOT SHOCK INTERVENE INTERVENE TO PREVENT Elevate legs 8-12° if no spinal injury. Have lie down. Preserve body heat with blankets Preserve body heat. under & over. Do NOT give anything to eat or drink. Call 911-Time: Call Nurse-Time: Call Parents-Time: Send documentation with student for Dr. Follow up for DX & RX info.

 NURSE:
 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 ADDRESS:
 \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### **PHYSICIAN'S REPORT:**

Please write diagnosis and treatment and return to school nurse. Include any accomodations that will be required at school.

Physician's Signature

### FRACTURES, DISLOCATIONS, STRAINS, SPRAINS, CONTUSIONS

STUDENT NAME:

WHEN, WHERE, HOW INJURY OCCURRED, COMPLAINTS REGARDING PAIN AND FUNCTION

TIME OF INCIDENT:

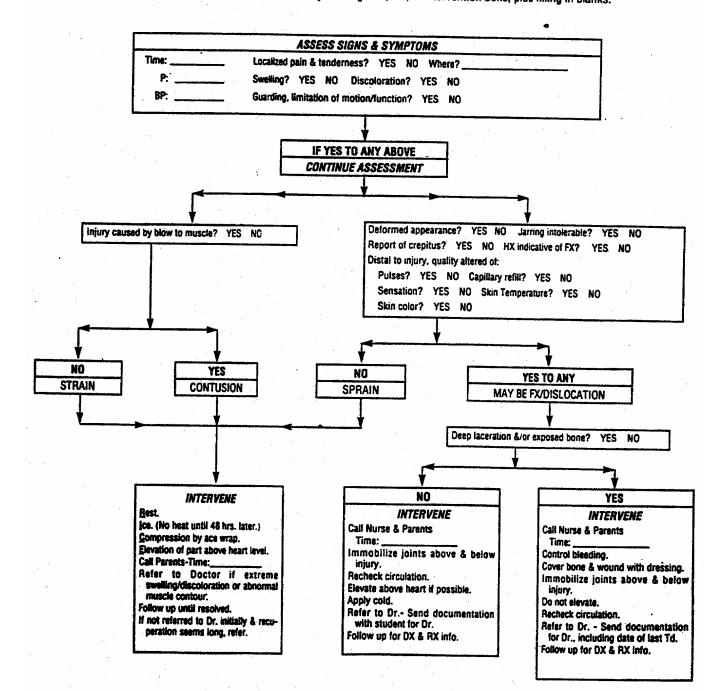
DATE:

ARRIVAL TIME IN HEALTH OFFICE:

DEPARTURE TIME AND DISPOSITION:

SIGNATURE:

Record assessments & interventions by circling Yes, No, & intervention done, plus filling in blanks.



### [insert school name] Office of the School Nurse

TO: Department Head/Grade-Level Chairpersons

**FROM:** [insert school nurse name]

SUBJECT: CONFIDENTIAL HEALTH PROBLEMS

The attached list is a **CONFIDENTIAL LIST** of students with chronic health problems. The purpose of preparing this list is **NOT** to make you worry excessively about a student, but to alert you to the fact that the student could have a potential problem in your class. In other words, if the student looks ill and/or requests a pass to see me, please allow him or her to go to the health office without undue delay.

Because students with problems are often very sensitive about being "different," it is usually better **NOT** to ask the student about his or her problem in the classroom setting. If you would like additional information about the student or what to do in case of emergency, **please see me before asking the student further questions.** 

This list is not a complete list of students with health problems. Students with minor problems have been omitted. If there is anyone not on this list you would like to discuss with me, please contact me. Please circulate this list in your department/grade level. Each teacher may copy information about students that she or he has in a class or an activity. Teachers should then file the information. Remember that this is **CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.** 

Each teacher in the department/grade level should sign below indicating that they have reviewed the list. After everyone has signed the list, the department head/grade-level chairperson should return the list to *[insert school nurse name]* in the health office.

Signature of department/grade-level members and date

Please note: This form is not recommended as a teacher notification method if a computer program is available to create confidential lists for teachers on an individual basis.

### [insert school name] Office of the School Nurse

TO: Classroom Teacher/Specialist

**SUBJECT:** Confidential Health Record

### STUDENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

This student has the following medical problem(s):

Activity restrictions:	
Allergic to:	
Asthma triggers:	
Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder:	
Medications @	
Emotional problems:	
Frequent ear infections:	_
Frequent nose bleeds:	
Visual impairment:	
Hearing loss:	
Heart condition:	
Medication daily for	
Medication PRN (as needed) for:	
Additional information:	

Please see me for further information.

[insert name and title]

## *[insert name of school]* Office of the School Nurse

STUDENT: DATE:	
<b>Teacher/Staff Member:</b> Check behaviors that you have witnessed and please document whenever possible. Use the back of this form you prefer a narrative style of reporting what you know, or if you have other information that you feel may be important in our efforts to help this student.	
Tardy         #         excused         #         unexcused           Absent         #         excused         #         unexcused	
Smells of:	
Ether/acetone, other "chemical" odor Cigarettes Alcohol Mouthwash	
Frequent requests to leave classroom:	
LavatoryPhoneNurseCounselorLockerOffice	ž
Behaviors displayed in the school setting:	
<ul> <li>Falling asleep</li> <li>Slurred speech</li> <li>Incoherent</li> <li>Stumbles</li> <li>Unsteady gait</li> <li>Sunglasses worn indoors</li> <li>Bad hygiene</li> <li>Eyes red or glassy</li> <li>Lack of motivation</li> <li>Negative change of dress</li> <li>Lack of motivation</li> <li>Defensiveness</li> <li>Withdrawn; loner</li> <li>Erratic behavior from day to day</li> <li>Fraduents "recognize" this student</li> <li>Students "recognize" this student</li> <li>Class interruptions for this student</li> </ul>	viors use ned on ents

Teacher/Staff Member Signature

## [Insert school letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

Date\_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parents:

This year, along with routine vision, hearing, and height and weight screening, there will be a posture screening of grade *[insert grade level to be screened]* for possible spinal problems, particularly scoliosis. Scoliosis is the medical term for sideward curve of the spine. It usually begins in the growing years of life, most commonly in adolescence, and affects at least 600,000 American children from the ages of 10 to 15. An estimated 10 out of every 100 children will develop scoliosis and 1 to 3 of these 10 will require active treatment. Girls are affected 8 to 10 times more often than boys. In 80 to 85 percent of the cases, the cause is unknown. A progressive disease, it can lead over the years to pain, crippling, heart and lung complications, and severe deformity.

When this condition is detected early, severe spinal deformities can be prevented. Interest in school screening is growing nationwide, and several state legislatures have passed laws requiring school screening.

The procedure is simple. I will look at the student's back as he or she stands and bends forward. Students are asked to wear pants and loose fitting T-shirts on screening day. Girls may wear bathing suit tops under a T-shirt if that would make them feel more comfortable.

If your child has a beginning or observable curvature, you will be notified and asked to have your child examined further by a physician.

Scoliosis is not rare, and early detection is possible though this program. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at school [insert school phone number].

[insert name and title]

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## [Insert school letterhead]

Office of the School Nurse

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

RE: Pediculosis/Head Lice

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child, \_\_\_\_\_\_, has symptoms of pediculosis—infestation with head lice. Even though lice do not jump or fly, they can be spread from one child to another when children share combs, brushes, clothing, and hats. An infestation of head lice can happen to anyone. It is not a sign of poor health habits or lack of cleanliness.

To control the spread of head lice, your child may return to school after he/she has been treated with a pediculocide shampoo. This is only the first step. The brushes and combs your child has used within the last week will need to be soaked in the pediculocide shampoo for one hour. Bedding, clothing, and hats must be laundered in very hot water (120°) on the same day or evening that your child is treated. As a precaution, stuffed animals, pillows, or other items that cannot be washed should be placed inside a plastic bag and sealed for one week. Ideally, nits should be removed. If not, reshampooing in 7 to 10 days is vital to kill newly hatched lice.

Working together, we can meet this challenge. I am available to discuss any questions you may have concerning this matter. Please call me at *[insert school number]*.

[insert school nurse name]

Please complete the following and bring your child and this form to the school office when she/he returns to school:

Child's name

Date of first shampooing

Parent's signature

Name of treatment/shampoo

# [insert school name]

#### **Office of the School Nurse**

TO: Parents/Sponsor of: \_\_\_\_\_

FROM: [insert your name & title]

SUBJECT: Additional Medical Information

On the *Student Health History* form, it was indicated that your child has

In order to better understand your child's needs, more information is requested. I would appreciate any additional information you could give me concerning this condition.

Medical information, including medications, hospitalizations, surgeries, etc.:

Parent Signature

Date

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#### **Accident/Injury Reports**

Refer to *Users Guide for Accident/Injury Reports (A/IR),* August 2001, for information and current reporting forms. The Guide is available at <u>www.odedodea.edu</u>.

Consult with your district's safety and security officer for the most current DoDEA 4801 form.

#### [insert school letterhead] OFFICE OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORANDUM TO: Parents/Sponsor of\_\_\_\_\_

#### SUBJECT: Asthma

An indication was made on your child's health record that he/she has asthma. In order to understand your child's needs, more information is requested. Please take a few moments to fill out the enclosed questionnaire. Take special care to include the names of medications your child takes, even if they will not be taken at school. If you are unsure as to whether or not information would be important, please list it anyway. The more information we gather, the more prepared we will be in case an emergency arises.

Our goal is to keep asthmatic children in school as much as possible. Prompt and appropriate treatment is only possible if the school is aware of the treatment regime your child is receiving and has the medication available for administration in the school setting.

Prompt treatment of asthmatic attacks shortens the duration and severity of the attack. The use of peak flow monitoring has been useful in the early treatment of asthma attacks, thus reducing the severity of the attack. A peak flow monitoring program will begin for your child. A baseline is established using your child's age and height. This baseline will be used to determine the extent of respiratory involvement and the need for PRN medication.

All medications administered at school require signed parent permission and signed doctor's instructions. **INHALERS ARE PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS.** Please bring to school your child's medication in a pharmacy-labeled container along with the required "Medication During School Hours" consent form (copy attached) signed by you and the child's primary physician.

If you would like more information regarding asthma care, please feel free to call me at school [insert school phone number]. The last page of this packet is a reference list for parents. Accurate, up-to-date information may be ordered using the attached form.

[insert name and title]

## [insert school letterhead] **Office of the School Nurse**

## **REFERRAL FOR RESPIRATORY EVALUATION**

Name:	Date:
[ ] History of asthma[ ] Has asthma[ ] Currently having a[ ] Allergies (list)	of respiratory problems /respiratory problems (list when) asthma exacerbation
Current Status: S	
S: O:	
•.	0% 80-65% 65-50% 50% Pulse Rate
[] Coughing	
[] Wheezing	[ ] Shiners
[ ] Retractions	[ ] Other
A:	
P: [] Start peak flow m	onitoring program at school & home
[ ] Refer for asthma e	
[ ] Refer to MTF for f	urther evaluation
******	*************
For the physician:	
S:	
0:	
A:	
	his time, but recommend
[] Prednisone burst	(# days)
[ ] Nebulizer treatme	nt (how many)
	prescribed (attach permission & plan)
	F (
[] Refer to asthma e	ducation class

 [] Asthma management plan (attach)

 [] Referral to

\_\_\_\_

Physician Signature/Stamp

Date

## [insert school name] Office of the School Nurse

#### ASTHMA MANAGEMENT PLAN

#### INDIVIDUALIZED PEAK FLOW GUIDELINES SCHOOL/HOME INSTRUCTIONS

	(child's name) is being t (physician's name & p					
	evel: mild intermittent / iggers:			ersistent /se	evere persiste	
Date:	7 Readings: 100-80%	Personal B	est Peak Flow:			
eak Flow	Readings: 100-80%	80-65%	65-50%	<	50%	
Nhen usi	ng a peak flow meter to mea	sure lung function	on, follow these	e instructior	IS:	
<u>If the</u>	meter reading is between 1	-			<u>ken:</u>	
$\checkmark$				Time		
	1					
$\checkmark$						
<b>v</b> √		dministered @ s	chool			
·	no short burst medicines a	uninistered @ 3				
<u>If the</u>	meter reading is between 8	80-65%, the follo	wing actions s	hould be tal	ken:	
$\checkmark$	Continue daily medications	s listed above.	-			
$\checkmark$	Add adrenaline-like/short	burst medicine:			puffs	
$\checkmark$	Give three to six times in 2	24 hours.				
$\checkmark$	Continue until peak flow is	above 80% for	two days.			
$\checkmark$	Activities: restricted/not re	estricted. (Circle	one.)			
$\checkmark$	Additional medications to	be given:				
	Medicine	-		Dose	Time	
	1			_		
	2.					
	ter reading is between 65-5		g actions shou	ld be taken:		
$\checkmark$	continue du channe nice n					
$\checkmark$	If meter reading continues					
or	spouse @	, eme	ergency contact	t @		

✓ Activities restricted.

• If the meter reading is in the 50% range or below and the child is experiencing respiratory distress, contact the parent or doctor immediately.

Parent signature

Physician signature and date

## *[insert school name]* Office of the School Nurse

#### **REQUEST FOR ASTHMA INFORMATION**

Student's Name	Date of Birth	Date
Sponsor	Teacher/Grade	
How long has your child had asthn	าล?	
Describe <i>last</i> asthma attack (what	happened, how long it las	sted, how it was treated).
How often does child have an attachospital?		
What usually triggers your child's a[] illness[] exerci[] smoke/odors[] weath	se [ ] emotions	[ ] foods
Has your child ever had allergy tes (list)		ergies:
Is your child exposed to second-ha	and smoke? No	Yes
Do you use a peak flow meter at he	ome? <u>No</u> Yes Be	st volume results
List all asthma medications taken.	Include as needed inhale	rs & steroids:
Other medications taken:		
What is the severity of your child's		tent [ ] mild persistent stent [ ] severe persistent
Have you or your child ever attend	ed an asthma class?	_NoYes
Do you have an asthma manageme If yes, please attach a copy.	ent plan?	_NoYes

If you would like to provide other information, or if you have questions, please write on the reverse side of this form. Thank you for this valuable information.

Parent signature and date

### ADD/ADHD REFERRAL (To be completed by teacher and returned to nurse)

Date

TO: \_\_\_\_\_[Insert teacher's name]

FROM: [Insert school nurse's name]

\_\_\_\_\_\_ has been referred for an ADHD evaluation. Part of that evaluation will include a health assessment. To complete the assessment, I need to ask the following:

1) Length of time you have worked with student: \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- 2) This student is being referred for: *(Check all that apply.)* 
  - Inattention
  - □ Hyperactivity
  - Impulsivity
  - Aggressive behaviors
- 3) The following indicators have been observed in the classroom: (Check all that apply.)
  - a. Impaired thought process related to:
    - inability to consistently process input
    - shortened attention span
    - decreased ability to exert mental effort
    - decreased ability to selectively focus, concentrate
  - b. Self-esteem alteration:
    - behaviors—impulsivity, aggression, and inability to self-control
    - inadequate peer relationships
    - internalization of negative feedback
    - self-perception that s/he is more tense, restless than peers
    - stigma of feeling "different" or singled out
  - c. Ineffective coping skills related to:
    - decreased ability to plan
    - decreased ability to self-limit behaviors
    - decreased ability to anticipate consequences of actions
    - decreased ability to generate several options of possible response to a stimulus
    - increased risk-taking behaviors
  - d. Sensory-perception alteration related to:
    - decreased ability to sort for relevant data
    - decreased ability to focus on the appropriate data
    - decreased ability to choose which sensory data to consider relevant
    - decreased rate of processing or incomplete processing of sensory inputs

Thank you for completing the form. Please return as soon as possible.

## *[insert school letterhead]* Office of the School Nurse

## INDIVIDUALIZED HEALTH ASSESSMENT

NAME:

DATE OF BIRTH:

PREPARED BY:

#### SUBJECTIVE:

's teacher has tried many classroom modifications for\_\_\_\_\_\_. H continues to experience difficulties in the classroom. There is a concern for h academic progress. The teacher is referring h for problems with inattention, hyperactivity, impulsivity, and aggressiveness.

#### **OBSERVATIONS:**

#### ASSESSMENT:

Based on information received from the teacher, may be experiencing:

1) impaired thought process related to: inability to consistently process input, shortened attention span, decreased ability to exert mental effort, and/or decreased ability to selectively focus, concentrate;

2) self-esteem alteration due to: impulsivity, aggression, and inability to self-control; inadequate peer relationships; internalization of negative feedback; self-perception that s/he is more tense, restless than peers; stigma of feeling "different" or singled out;

3) ineffective coping skills related to: decreased ability to plan, decreased ability to self-limit behaviors, decreased ability to anticipate consequences of actions, decreased ability to generate several options of possible response to a stimulus, increased risk-taking behaviors;

4) sensory-perception alteration related to: decreased ability to sort for relevant data, decreased ability to focus on the appropriate data, decreased ability to choose which sensory data to consider relevant, decreased rate of processing or incomplete processing of sensory inputs.

#### PLAN:

- 1. Refer for a complete medical assessment by primary care physician.
- 2. Establish a school medication regime, if medication is prescribed.
- 3. Establish school monitoring program.

Submitted by: [insert name and title]

## [insert school letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

Dear Physician,

was seen in your office. To ensure that all communication between the parents, the school, and you is accurate, please complete this form. I appreciate the time invested in this assessment. [insert name, title and phone number].

An initial diagnosis of Attention Deficit or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder was made.

The decision was made to place the child on a trial regime of:

to be given at home only.
to be given at home and at school.

\_\_\_\_A diagnosis was **not** made at this time. The child/family was referred for further assessment by: [Include name and title]

- Additional documentation is needed.
- Parents would like more time to consider the diagnosis.
- □ This is a follow-up visit and the established regime will continue.
- There will be a change in the medication regime:

• The at-home medication/dosage will be \_\_\_\_\_.

The school medication/dosage will be \_\_\_\_\_\_.

• has been discontinued.

Additional comments:

Physician's Signature & Date

PARENTS, PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE SCHOOL NURSE.

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY

#### ADD/ADHD MONITORING SCALE

Name of Student:Grade:Name of Rater:Date:Subject/Setting:Date:Time(s) of contact: (When is the student with you?)

#### (Highlight or put an "X" by your response.)

1.	Inattention	Alm Nev			nost vays	Not Observe	d
a.	Fails to pay close attention to details, or makes careless mistakes in school work, chores, or other						
	daily activities.	0	1	2	3	N/O	
b.	Has trouble keeping attention on tasks or play activities.	0	1	2	3	N/O	
с.	Has trouble listening when	0	4	2	2	N/O	
d.	spoken to. Has difficulty following through on directions and fails to complete schoolwork, chores, or other	0	1	Z	3	N/O	
	responsibilities.	0	1	2	3	N/O	
e. f.	Has difficulty organizing tasks or activities. Dislikes, avoids, or does not want to engage in activities that require sustained	0	1	2	3	N/O	
g.	concentration. Loses things required for school work or	0	1	2	3	N/O	
9.	other activities.	0	1	2	3	N/O	
h.	Is easily distracted from tasks.	Õ	1	2	3	N/O	
i.	Is typically forgetful in daily activities.	0	1	2	3 3	N/O	
			# of	items v	with rat	ting of 2 or 3 Total Score	
2.	<b>Hyperactivity</b>						
a. b.	Often squirms in his/her seat or fidgets. Frequently is out of his/her seat at school or in other situations where students are	0	1	2	3	N/O	
c.	expected to remain seated. Runs about or climbs excessively when	0	1	2	3	N/O	
	he/she is not supposed to.	0	1	2	3	N/O	
d. e.	Seems to have trouble playing quietly. Can be described as "always on the go"	0	1	2	3	N/O	
с.	or as if "driven by a motor."	0	1	2	3	N/O	
f.	Seems to talk excessively.	0	1	2	3	N/O	

#of items with rating of 2 or 3: Total Score:

		Almo Neve		Almo Alwa		Not Observed
3.	<u>Impulsivity</u>					
a.	Frequently blurts out the answer to a question.	0	1	2	3	N/O
b.	Typically has difficulty waiting his/her turn.	0	1	2	3	N/O
с.	Frequently interrupts others or intrudes on others.	0	1	2	3	N/O
			# of i	tems w	ith ratii	ng of 2 or 3: Total Score:
4.	Academic Performance					
a.	Does not complete in-class projects.	0	1	2	3	N/O
b.	Does not return homework completed.	0	1	2	3 3	N/O
с.	Does not complete in-class written work.	0	1	2	3	N/O
			# of i	tems w	ith rati	ng of 2 or 3: Total Score:

1. Have you noticed any of the following symptoms? *(Highlight behaviors reported or noticed.)* 

appetite loss insomnia headaches stomachaches staring often irritable

excessive crying motor/vocal tics nervousness sadness withdrawn moody

2. Have you noticed a change in behavior during the school day, as if effects of medication are wearing off? NO YES If yes, at what time?

Teacher comments (thoughts or observations you wish to share with the physician):

Teacher Signature

Original to Physician

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY

#### ADD/ADHD MONITORING SCALE\* INTERPRETATION

The respondent indicates the degree to which the student in the school setting has exhibited each behavior. The rating number (0-3) is indicated in each category for each behavior.

#### **SCORING**

The total number of items for each rating of 2 or 3 only is indicated for each category. The total score for each category is the sum of all the rating numbers (0–3). The higher the total score, the greater the presence of ADHD-type symptoms.

#### **INTERPERTATION**

- 1. <u>ADD-Predominantly Inattentive Type (ADHD-PI)</u>. At least six of the inattention symptoms endorsed and fewer than four of the hyperactive/impulsivity symptoms endorsed.
- 2. <u>ADHD-Predominantly Hyperactive/Impulsive Type (ADHD-PH/I)</u>. At least six of the hyperactive/impulsivity symptoms endorsed and fewer than four of the inattention symptoms endorsed.
- 3. <u>ADHD-Combined Type (ADHD-CT)</u>. At least six of the inattention and six of the hyperactive/impulsivity symptoms endorsed.

\*The DoDEA ADD/ADHD Monitoring Scale (DEAMS) is based on the Georgia Diagnostic Interview Schedule for Children and Adolescents (G. W. Hynd and C. Riccio), using the DSM-IV symptoms and diagnostic criteria.

## [Insert School Letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

Health Assessment

		BIRTH DATE:					
VISION: Date	e screened	۱					
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Instrument use PERRLAEOM:_ REMARKS:					20/ L 20 20/ L 20 ] Preschool sym	bols	
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Right			1000	20		1000	
Left							
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REMARKS:					opaque		
CURRENT IN Medications:	-	-					
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RECOMMENI			-		ting until:		
[insert name a	and title]				Date		

## Minor Neurological Signs

TASK	AGE NORMS	NORMAL RSPONSE	ACHIEVED/COMMENTS
FINGER OPPOSITION	5 years and older	6–8 years: easy transition;	
	s years and older	child may put same finger on	
	Note:	thumb several times	
	Asymmetries	8–10 years: smooth placing of	
	Associated movements	fingers; barely discernable	
	Tremors	movement	
DIADICHOKINESIS	4 years and older	4–7 years: awkward pronation	
(Alternating pronation/supination of		& supination; associated	
forearm)	Note:	movements noted on opposite	
	Asymmetries	extremity	
	Directional confusion	8 years and older: smooth &	
		correctly performed with no	
		associated movement in	
		opposite extremity	
	4 years and older: eyes	7–8 years: finger may be	
FINGER TO NOSE	open	missed once or twice; slight	
(eyes open/eyes closed)	5 years and older: eyes	wavering of hand	
	closed	8 years and older: finger placed	
		correctly; smooth movement	
ONE-FOOT STANDING BALANCE	3 years and older	3–5 years: able to stand 5–6	
(both right & left foot)		seconds with many extraneous	
	Note:	balancing movements	
	Asymmetries	5–6 years: able to stand for	
	Muscle strength	10–12 seconds with many	
		extraneous balancing	
		movements	
		6–7 years: able to stand for	
		13–16 seconds with <i>minimal</i>	
		balancing movements	
		7 years and older: able to stand	
		for 20 seconds with no	
		extraneous balancing	
		movements	
ONE-FOOT HOP	3 years and older	3–4 years: few are able to	
(both right and left foot)		hop—even a few times*	
	Note:	4–5 years: able to hop 5–8	
	Asymmetries	times consecutively*	
	Muscle strength	5–6 years: able to hop 9–12	
	*(One leg may often be	times consecutively*	
	better than the other.)	6–7 years: able to hop 13–16 times consecutively*	
		7 years and older: able to hop	
		20 times consecutively	
WALKING A STRAIGHT LINE	E years and older	5–7 years: three deviations	
WALKING A SIKAIGHI LINE	5 years and older	from the line are acceptable	
	Note:	8 and older: no deviations	
	Associated movements		
WALKING ON TIP-TOES	3 years and older	3–7 years: able to walk on tip-	
WALKING ON HIF-IOLS	Note:	toes with decreasing associated	
	Associated movements	movements (20 continuous	
	Asymmetries	paces)	
	Muscle tone	7 years and older: able to walk	
	Orthopedic problems	on tip-toes with no associated	
	Muscle strength	movements	
WALKING ON HEELS	3 years and older	3–9 years; able to walk on	
		heels with decreasing	
		associated movements (20	
		continuous paces)	
		9 years and older: able to walk	
		on heels for 20 continuous	
		paces with no associated	
		movements	
SKIPPING	3 years and older		
-	Note:		
	Asymmetries in posture	1	

## [Insert school letterhead] **Office of the School Nurse**

#### Preschool Functional Vision and Hearing Screening (for Children Ages 2 1/2 to 5 years)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

This screening does not evaluate vision or hearing acuity. It does address whether functional vision and/or hearing seems adequate to continue with the assessment process.

## VISION

Does the child . . .

- \_\_\_\_\_a. have eyes that look forward, not inward or outward?
- \_\_\_\_\_b. make eye contact with the objects?
- \_\_\_\_ c. follow moving objects with eves?
- \_\_\_\_\_d. look at objects without covering one eye or squinting?
- \_\_\_\_\_e. hold objects at a normal distance from face?
- \_\_\_\_\_ f. move about without frequently bumping into objects?
- \_\_\_\_\_g. move easily from one floor surface to another?

\_\_\_\_ Functional vision seems normal.

A vision problem is suspected. Further evaluation is indicated.

## HEARING

Does the child . . .

- \_\_\_\_\_a. breathe through the nose with mouth closed?
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. speak in a normal tone of voice?
- \_\_\_\_ c. have a normal voice quality?
- \_\_\_\_\_d. speak clearly without misarticulations?
- \_\_\_\_\_e. look at the speaker's face rather than the speaker's lips?
- \_\_\_\_\_ f. look at the speaker straight on without turning an ear toward the speaker?
- g. turn when name is spoken while child is not looking?

Functional hearing seems normal.

\_\_\_\_ A hearing problem is suspected. Further evaluation is indicated.

Observer \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

## [insert school letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

#### Social/Family/Medical History Grades 6–12

Dear Parent, The information you provide will help the Medically Related Services Department and school's Case Study Committee identify your child's needs.

I. FAMILY INFORMATION	1	
CHILD		
Name	_ Grade	Date of Birth
SPONSOR		
Name	_ Duty Phone	_ Home Phone
SPOUSE		
Name	Duty Phone	Cell Phone
· · · · ·		
II. MEDICAL HISTORY		
If your child has had any of the following	g serious medical illnesses or p	roblems, please indicate below.
<u>Condition</u> Yes	No	Yes No
Frequent ear infections	Dizziness	
Frequent ear fluid	Heart disease	
Hearing problems	Loss of consci	ousness
Allergies	Frequent sore	
Fainting	Prolonged fev	er
Severe reaction to injection	Encephalitis	
Swallowing problems		on to medication
Drooling	Seizures/conv	ulsions
Dental problems	Meningitis	
Eye problems	Head trauma	
Asthma	Accidents	
Headaches	Poisoning/ing	
Breath-holding spells	Low blood cou	
Awkwardness	Excessive blee	eding
Weakness	Paralysis	
Muscle problems	Emotional pro	blems
Chronic cough	Tremors	
Bronchitis	Tingling in ha	nds/feet
Chronic diarrhea	Unusual walk	
Slow weight gain	Chicken pox	
Kidney problems	Mumps	
Genital problems	Measles	
Joint problems	Scarlet fever	
Arthritis	Whooping cou	Jgh
Thyroid disease	Constipation	
Chronic skin problems	Long-term se	
Limp	mother/father	•

## **III. PREGNANCY and BIRTH**

A. List all pregn Date	ancies (includii Length of Pregnancy	ng miscarriages, a Birth Weight 	bortions, and Outcome	live births	Cor	nplications nged Hospita	al Stay)	
1. Did you tak	e any medicati	<i>refer to the preg</i> on during the preg	gnancy? [ ]		<i>o is being</i> [ ] No		)	
3. Did you drir	nk alcohol durin any illegal dru	during the pregna ng the pregnancy? Igs during the pre ancy?	gnancy? Y	es No es No es No es No				
6. Did any of t	he following o Yes No	ccur during the pr	egnancy? Yes	No			Yes	No
Fever		Viral infection				German me		
Spotting		Kidney infectior	ו			Vaginal ble	eding	
Diabetes		Threatened mis				Morning sid	-	
Toxemia		Sugar/protein i	n urine			Special diet	t	
Surgery		RH factor probl				Accident/in	jury	
Amniocentesis		Convulsions/sei	zures			Pre-term la	bor	
Asthma		High blood pres	sure			X-rays		
<ul><li>7. How long was</li><li>8. How was the</li><li>C. Infant's cond</li></ul>	e baby delivere	d? Vagina	C-section	Forceps	s/Vacuum	ı assist		
Birth weight	Leng	th Head cir	cumference _	Apga	R scores			
		Yes No				Ye	s No	
Breathed immed	diately		Had	seizures o	r convuls			
Cried immediate	ely		Had	infection				
Resuscitation re	quired		Had	skin rash				
Was jaundiced (	(yellow)		Had	bleeding p	roblem			
Was blue			Had	low blood	sugar			
D. Procedures o	r treatments u	sed with infant:						
		Yes No				Ye	s No	
Fluids by needle	e (IV)		Feed	ling by tub	e			
Transfusion				bator				
Oxygen therapy	,			thing mac	hine			
Special lights fo				t tubes	-			
Medication	-			piotics for i	infection			

#### IV. DEVELOPMENTAL PROFILE

A. At what age did your child	:	
Roll over	Smile responsively	Use fingers to eat
Reach for objects	Babble	Use utensil to eat
Sit alone	Wave bye-bye	Undress self
Crawl	Say first word	Dress self
Walk alone	Put words together	Toilet train
Walk upstairs	Say 3-word sentence	Button clothes
Pedal tricycle	Say own name	Tie shoes
Skip	Use pronouns	Know some letters

B. Did your child exhibit any of the following during the first two years?

	Yes	No	Comment
1. Sleeping difficulties			
2. Rhythmic behaviors (rocking)			
3. Hard to comfort or console			
4. Floppiness (after 6 months)			
5. Stiffness			
6. Cried often and easily			
7. Not affectionate			
8. Poor eye contact			
9. Head banging			
10. Did not like being held			
_			

### V. FAMILY HISTORY

Please indicate  $\square$  on the chart below for anyone in the family who has had any of the problems listed.

	Other	Child's	Child's	Father's	Mother's
	<u>Children</u>	Father	Mother	Family	Family
1. Depression/psychiatric					
2. Alcohol problems					
3. Drug problem					
4. In trouble with the law					
5. Seizures/convulsions					
6. Neurological disease					
7. Cerebral palsy					
8. Muscle tics/twitches					
9. Thyroid disorders					
10. Genetic diseases					
11 Difficulty with right 9 lo	<u></u>				

11. Difficulty with right & left

## VI. PRESENT CHILD BEHAVIORS

Do you have concerns about your child's behaviors in any of the following areas?

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Lacks motivation			Nervous habits		
Seems confused			Frustrated easily		
Mean or nasty			Cruel to animals		
Is a "loner"			Problems sleeping		
Lacks self-confidence			Usually tired		
Unusual interest in fires			Trouble with the police		
Not liked by others			Uses foul language		
Intentionally injures self			Frequent physical complaint	s	
Sucks thumb or objects			Is overactive/"hyper"		
Substance usage			Acts like child of opposite se	x	
Lies			Eats things that aren't		
Fearless			food (dirt, paper, etc.)		

Do you have any concerns and/or information not listed above that would help us better assist your child?

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Signature of Evaluator

Date

## *[insert school letterhead]* Office of the School Nurse

#### Social/Family/Medical History Middle School

# Dear Parent, The information you provide will help the Medically Related Services Department and school's Case Study Committee identify your child's needs.

#### I. FAMILY INFORMATION

#### CHILD'S

Name (last, fi		Age	Occupation
Living in home	e? Yes 🗖 No 🗖	Father's native	e language:
Relationship:	Biological father	□ Step-fathe	er 🗆 Other 🗖
ER'S			
Name (last, fi	irst)	Age	Occupation
Living in home	e? Yes 🗖 No 🗖	Mother's native	language:
Relationship:	Biological mothe	er 🗖 Step-mot	her 🗆 Other 🗖
R CHILDREN I	IN THE HOME		
<u>Name (last,</u>	<u>, first)</u>	<u>Age</u>	Name of School
PERSONS LI	IVING IN THE H	 OME	

## II. IDENTIFICATION OF CONCERNS

A. How do you think the school can best help your	
B. What are your child's strengths?	
C. Please list concerns you have about your child (l	pe specific):
D. Has your child had any serious medical illnesses	or problems?  INO  YES
Please explain:	
E. Is your child on medication?	
F. Please list your child's past evaluations and/or tr counselors, or psychologists:	eatments provided by schools, physicians, clinics,
Date         Where          //	What were the results?
G. Has your child participated in any school programs? Yes □ No □	ms? Yes 🗖 No 🗖
Please explain:	

## III. FAMILY HISTORY

Please indicate  $\square$  on the chart below for anyone in the family who has had any of the problems listed.

	Other <u>Children</u>	Child's <u>Father</u>	Child's <u>Mother</u>	Father's <u>Family</u>	Mother's <u>Family</u>
1. Hyperactive as a child					
2. Trouble learning to read					
3. Trouble with arithmetic					
4. Difficulty with coordination					
5. Difficulty with penmanship					
6. Left-hand dominance					
7. Speech/language problems					
8. Kept back in school					
9. Mental retardation					
10.Behavior problems as child					
11.Vision problems					
12. Hearing problems					
13. Birth defects					
None of the above apply					

## IV. PREGNANCY AND BIRTH

Please recall the following as best you can:

		Yes	No	Comment	
1. Was mothe	ill during pregnancy?				_
2. Did mother	take medication?				_
3. Was the ba	by premature?				_
4. Did the bab	y have trouble breathing?				_
5. Was an exte	ended hospital stay required?				_
6. Was the ba	by's birth weight low/high?		□Birth	weight:	
7. Were any b	rth injuries noted?				_
8. Was the ba	by blue or jaundiced?				_

## V. MEDICAL HISTORY

If your child has had any of the following serious medical illnesses or problems, please indicate below.

<u>Condition</u>	Yes	s No		Yes	s No
Frequent ear infections			Dizziness		
Frequent ear fluid			Heart disease		
Hearing problems			Loss of consciousness		
Allergies			Frequent sore throats		
Fainting			Prolonged fever		
Severe reaction to injection			Encephalitis		
Swallowing problems			Severe reaction to medication		
Drooling			Seizures/convulsions		
Dental problems			Meningitis		
Eye problems			Head trauma		
Asthma			Accidents		
Headaches			Poisoning/ingestions		
Breath-holding spells			Low blood count/anemia		
Awkwardness			Excessive bleeding		
Weakness			Paralysis		
Muscle problems			Emotional problems		
Chronic cough			Tremors		
Bronchitis			Tingling in hands/feet		
Chronic diarrhea			Unusual walk, limp		
Slow weight gain			Chicken pox		
Kidney problems			Mumps		
Genital problems			Measles		
Joint problems			Scarlet fever		
Arthritis			Whooping cough		
Thyroid disease			Constipation		
Chronic skin problems			Long-term separation		

#### VI. DEVELOPMENTAL PROFILE

A. At what age did your child do the following:

Roll over	Smile responsively	Use fingers to eat
Reach for objects	Babble	Use utensil to eat
Sit alone	Wave bye-bye	Undress self
Crawl	Say first word	Dress self
Walk alone	Put words together	Toilet train
Walk upstairs	Say 3-word sentences	Button clothes
Pedal a tricycle	Say own name	Tie shoes
Skip	Use pronouns	Know some letters

B. Did your child exhibit any of the following during the first two years?

	Yes	No	Comment	
1. Sleeping difficulties		□		
2. Rhythmic behaviors (rocking)		□		
3. Hard to comfort or console		0		
4. Floppiness (after 6 months)		□		
5. Stiffness		0		
6. Cried often and easily		□		
7. Not affectionate		□		
8. Poor eye contact		□		
9. Head banging		□		
10. Did not like being held				

## VII. PRESENT CHILD BEHAVIORS

Do you have concerns about your child's behaviors in any of the following areas?

	Yes	Νο		Yes	No
Lacks motivation			Nervous habits		
Seems confused			Frustrated easily		
Mean or nasty			Cruel to animals		
Is a "loner"			Problems sleeping		
Lacks self-confidence			Usually tired		
Unusual interest in fires			Trouble with the police		
Not liked by others			Uses foul language		
Intentionally injures self			Frequent physical complaints		
Sucks thumb or objects			Is overactive/``hyper"		
Substance usage			Acts like child of opposite sex		
Lies			Stubborn		
Fearless			Detention/suspension		
Eats things that aren't food	(dirt, pa	per, etc.)			

Do you have any concerns and/or information not listed above that would help us better assist your child?

## VIII. PARENTAL CONCERNS

Do you have current concerns about your child in any of the following areas?

	Yes	No		Yes	Νο
Has tantrums			Has trouble hearing		
Is unable to accept limits			Favors one ear over other		
Is aggressive			Has earaches		
Clings to an adult			Speaks loudly or softly		
Rarely smiles, giggles, laughs			Watches speaker's face		
Doesn't play with other children			Rubs ears frequently		
Doesn't separate from me easily			Has eyes that turn in/out		
Will not work in a group			Squints		
Is left out of group activities			Favors one eye over other		
Has toileting difficulties			Holds things close to see		
Difficulty following routine			Rubs his/her eyes		
Feeding and dressing difficulties			Blinks a lot		
Is easily distracted			Has visual problems		
Darts from one activity to another			Has unclear speech		
Persists when asked to stop			Difficulty expressing wants		
Is clumsy			Uses incomplete sentences		
Difficulty buttoning/zipping			Needs instructions repeated		
Eye/hand coordination problems			Gives inappropriate answers		
Poor control of body movement			Repeats what he/she says		
Difficulty using crayons/scissors			Has very limited vocabulary		
Difficulty writing letters			Is easily frustrated		
Difficulty sitting through meal			Is extremely shy		
Has unusual fears/nightmares			Demands attention		
Can't tolerate change in routine			Frequently seems confused		
Is very sensitive			Difficulty understanding		
Is stubborn			what is said to him/her		
Other concerns:					

### IX. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A. What types of group experiences has your child had? (e.g. daycare, preschool)
B. Who cares for your child when he/she is not with you?
C. What type of play activities does your child enjoy?
D. What is your child's favorite toy?
E. What is your child's favorite food? Does your child have a regular mealtime routine? Yes I No I
F. How does your child get along with other children his/her age?
G. How does your child get along with brother(s) and sister(s)?
H. How does your child get along with parent(s)?
I. How does your child get along with other adults?
J. Is your child able to follow simple directions? (e.g., "Get your book.") Yes $\Box$ No $\Box$
K. Does your child have a regular bedtime routine?       Yes □ No □         What time does your child go to bed?
L. With whom does your child spend most of his/her time? Primary language spoken by this individual?
M. What kind of activities does your child attend to the longest? (e.g., TV, story, blocks)
N. What after-school activities does your child participate in?
O. What household responsibilities does your child have?

#### **RELEASE OF INFORMATION PERMISSION**

I hereby authorize the release of the information on this form to school, medical personnel, or other agencies with a need to know.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF EVALUATOR

DATE

DATE

### *[insert school letterhead]* Office of the School Nurse

#### Social/Family/Medical History Preschool–Grade 5

Dear Parent, The information you provide will help the Medically Related Services Department and the school's Case Study Committee identify your child's needs.

#### I. FAMILY INFORMATION

#### CHILD'S

First language: _ schools: Language(s) curr		er of years in En		Birth Date
FATHER'S				
Name (las Living in home? Relationship: E	Yes No			
MOTHER'S				
Name (las Living in home? Relationship: E	Yes No			
OTHER CHILDREN IN Name (la		<u>Age</u>	Name of s	School
OTHER PERSONS LIV	/ING IN THE HO	 DME		
Name	<u>Ag</u>	<u>e</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	

## II. IDENTIFICATION OF CONCERNS

A. How do you think the school can best help your child?
B. What are your child's strengths?
C. Please list concerns you have about your child (be specific):
D. Has your child had any serious medical illnesses or problems? Yes □ No □ Please explain:
E. Is your child on medication? Yes No Name of medication: Please explain purpose:
F. Please list your child's past evaluations and/or treatments provided by schools, physicians, clinics counselors, or psychologists:
Date         Where         What were the results?           /_//_/
G. Has your child participated in any school programs? Yes □ No □ Special programs? Yes □ No □ Please explain:

## III. FAMILY HISTORY

Please indicate  $\square$  on the chart below for anyone in the family who has had any of the problems listed.

	Other <u>Children</u>	Child's <u>Father</u>	Child's <u>Mother</u>	Father's <u>Family</u>	Mother's <u>Family</u>
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8. Kept back in school					
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## IV. PREGNANCY AND BIRTH

Please recall the following as best you can:

	Yes	No Comment
1. Was mother ill during pregnancy?		0
2. Did mother take medication?		
3. Was the baby premature?		
4. Did the baby have trouble breathing?		
5. Was an extended hospital stay required?		
6. Was the baby's birth weight low/high?		□Birth weight:
7. Were any birth injuries noted?		٥
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## V. DEVELOPMENTAL PROFILE

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B. Did your child exhibit any of the following during the first two years?

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2. Rhythmic behaviors (rocking)				
3. Hard to comfort or console		□		
4. Floppiness (after 6 months)		□		
5. Stiffness		□		
6. Cried often and easily		□		
7. Not affectionate		□		
8. Poor eye contact		□		
9. Head banging		□		
10. Did not like being held		□		

## VI. PARENTAL CONCERNS

Do you have current concerns about your child in any of the following areas?

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Persists when asked to stop			Difficulty expressing wants	<b>.</b>	
Is clumsy			Uses incomplete sentences	5 🗖	
Difficulty buttoning/zipping			Needs instructions repeate	d□	
Eye-hand coordination problems			Gives inappropriate answe	rs□	
Poor control of body movement			Repeats what he/she says		
Difficulty using crayons/scissors			Has very limited vocabular	yП	
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G. How does your child get along with brother(s) and sister(s)?
H. How does your child get along with parent(s)?
I. How does your child get along with other adults?
J. Is your child able to follow simple directions? (e.g., "Get your book.") Yes $\Box$ No $\Box$
K. Does your child have a regular bedtime routine?       Yes □ No □         What time does your child go to bed?       Yes □ No □         Does your child sleep through the night?       Yes □ No □
L. With whom does your child spend most of his/her time? Primary language spoken by this individual?
M. What kind of activities does your child attend to the longest? (e.g., TV, story, blocks)
N. What after-school activities does your child participate in?
O. What household responsibilities does your child have?
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SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

DATE

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF EVALUATOR

## [insert school letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

#### Social/Family/Medical History Three-Year Review

#### Dear Parent, The information you provide will help the Medically Related Services Department and the school's Case Study Committee identify your child's needs.

## I. FAMILY INFORMATION

#### CHILD'S

Name	Grade	Date	
Birth Date	Place of Birth		Sex
First language: Nu	Imber of years in Englis	sh-speaking schools:	
Language(s) currently used at home: _			
FATHER'S			
Name (last, first)	Age	Occupation	
Living in home? Yes □ No □ Fat	her's native language:		
Relationship: Biological father 🗆	Step-father 🛛	Other 🛛	
MOTHER'S			
Name (last, first)	Age	Occupation	
Living in home? Yes □ No □	Mother's native langu	lage:	
Relationship: Biological mother	Step-mother	Other 🛛	
OTHER CHILDREN IN HOME Name (last, first)	<u>Age</u>	Name of School	
OTHER PERSONS LIVING IN TH Name	E HOME Age	Relationship	

## II. UPDATE INFORMATION

**A.** Have there been any changes in the people who live in your home in the last three years? Explain. (e.g., new baby, marriage, illness, death)

**B.** How many moves has your child made in last three years? Explain.

**C.** Have there been periods of extended separation of family members in the last three years? Please explain.

**D.** Has your child or any family member had any significant illness or medical problem over the last three years?

**E.** Has your child received any additional services from other agencies other than the ones on his/her current IEP in the last three years?

**F.** Have you seen any major changes in your child's attitude, mood, general appearance, and/or social adjustment over the last three years?

**G.** Please list any other significant event(s) in your child's life over the past three years (e.g., death of family member or traumatic experience).

H. Other information or concerns that you would like to share?

Parent/Guardian

Date

The above information was reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_\_ on

#### Health Services Information Sheet Weekly Log of Nursing Activities

Priorities:	Wednesday:
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
Monday:	Thursday:
Tuesday:	Friday:

## **Conference Log**

Date	Time	Name	Problem	Action

### [Insert School Letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

### SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES SUMMARY

DATE:			
Time Covered: Day Week	c Month Q	uarter Year	
I. Health Supervision	Number	Time Spent (minutes)	
A. Injured: Ill: B. Health consulting: C. Special procedures D. Child abuse: E. Medications:	  		
Initial instruction Administration Monitoring			
F. Medical referrals:			
<ol> <li>ADHD         <ul> <li>Initial referral Follow-up</li> </ul> </li> <li>Asthma             <ul>                       Initial referral Follow-up</ul></li>                         Medical                           Initial referral Follow-up</ol>			
G. Records: #Reviewed	d #Recorde	d Time (minutes)	
Incoming Outgoing CSC Medical			
H. Health Conditions:			
Update Notes			

Calls

## II. Screenings #Referred #Recorded #Returned Time (minutes)

Vision				
Hearing				
Ht. & Wt.				
Blood pressure				
Dental				
Immunizations	<u> </u>			
Scalp/skin				
Spinal		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Communicable		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
disease				
Other				

III. Health E	ducation Activ #Student	#Parent	#Staff	#Community
A. Planning B. Presenting		 		

IV.	Meetings Attended	Number	Time Spent (minutes)
A. S	<b>chool</b> Student Support Team Child Study Committee Crisis Intervention Team Faculty Wellness Other		
B. C	Community Community Red Cross Health & Wellness		
C. D	Pistrict Pupil Personnel Services Nursing		
V.	Other Activities	Total	Time Spent (minutes)

## School Nurse End-of-Year Check-Out

- 1. Keys to medication cabinet are located in/at 2. School Health Services Guide, DS Manual 2942.0, May 15, 1995, is located 3. Health Master Main Program Manual is located \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. School nurse file is located and includes the following: ✓ Student Health Conditions list, HO report #089 or Win School printout ✓ Substitute folder ✓ Community resources and phone numbers ✓ Immunizations due next school year, HO report #157 ✓ Student Medication Prescription Summary, HO Report #061. Highlight names of students who will be returning and for whom new forms were sent home for anticipated medication administration next school year. ✓ Vision, hearing, scoliosis, and dental referrals, list of ✓ School Emergency Medical Response Procedure and phone numbers 5. Faculty first aid kits ready for 1st day of school are located \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Updated student health files are located \_\_\_\_\_\_. (List missing files.) 7. Confidential student folders returned from teachers and contents shredded. 8. Student health files for students transferring to the feeder school with copy of forwarded health concerns or immunizations needed are located (Files should be purged for the receiving school of duplicate and/or no longer pertinent information.) 9. Health office supplies are in a safe place for use next year and are located ✓ Copy of supplies ordered during past school year from (a) local medical treatment facility and (b) catalogue venders. ✓ List any new supplies needed/requested for next year use.  $\checkmark$  List any equipment turned in for repair over the summer. POC is  $\checkmark$  List digital equipment being calibrated over the summer (scales, audiometer, other). POC is ✓ Provide wish list of equipment/supplies/materials needed for health service office.  $\checkmark$  Return any sharps containers for clinic disposal. ✓ Return medication not picked up before nurse leaves for summer break to local medical treatment facility for disposal. 10. District school nurse liaison and phone number \_\_\_\_\_ 11. School nurse contacts/school nurse mentors are (name and phone #'s) \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Perform normal school checkout duties.

Leave completed checkout list and written information on the nurse's office desk and give copy to principal.

### [insert school year] MEDICAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

In the event that my dependent (NAME)

is injured or becomes ill, necessitating immediate medical examination or care, while under the supervision of or while participating in any activities sponsored by [*insert school name*], I authorize and release to any agent or employee of [*insert school name*] to take my dependent to any U.S. military facility or any civilian hospital if deemed necessary by the above referenced individual.

I understand that the above named personnel of [*insert school name*] will use all diligent and reasonable efforts to contact my spouse or me. If personnel of [*insert school name*] or the U.S. treatment facility can contact neither my spouse nor me after reasonable attempts, I authorize and release any physician or other qualified medical personnel to examine my child. I authorize any and all emergency care necessary for treating injuries or illness involving immediate danger to life or limb of my dependent. I further authorize non-emergency care and necessary treatment such as suturing superficial lacerations; treating colds, minor allergies, and minor gastro-intestinal upsets; splinting sprains; casting uncomplicated fractures; or other similar treatments.

**MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ABOVE NAMED DEPENDENT** (to be completed by parent/guardian) for the purpose of sharing information with teachers and health care personnel on a need- to-know basis. My dependent has the following medical problems (such as diabetes, seizures, asthma, heart and kidney disease):

My dependent is allergic to the following: My dependent takes the following medications on a regular and/or "as needed" basis (list name, amount, and purpose of each medication): Date of last tetanus booster: **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION** (to be completed by parent) Sponsor's home address: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Home phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's unit: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Work phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Work phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone #2: Cell phone #1: Other names and phone numbers to use in case of emergency if parents/quardians are unavailable: Additional comments: I AGREE TO NOTIFY THE SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY OF ANY CHANGES IN THE ABOVE INFORMATION. Signature of Parent/Guardian Signature of Parent/Guardian\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor's Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Civilian "Pay Patient"? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Date No

**PRIVACY ACT NOTICE:** AUTHORITY: Title V, Sec. 301. PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To refer to emergency medical facilities in parents'/guardians' absence. ROUTINE USES: (a) To obtain emergency medical care when parents cannot be reached; (b) To provide emergency contact names; (c) To supply health and medical information about student. This form is used by DoDEA employees and trained medical personnel in emergency. Social Security number of sponsor is required by military medical facilities in case of emergency referral. MANDATORY/VOLUNTARY DISCLOSURE/EFFECT OF NONDISCLOSURE: Mandatory. School personnel will not be able to provide emergency care and health services in parents' absence.

## AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL CARE OF DEPENDENT

In the event that my dependent \_\_\_\_\_\_ (full legal name) is injured or becomes ill and needs medical examination or care while under the supervision of a Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS) employee or while participating in any activity sponsored by a DoDDS Japan District high school (see above), I authorize and release my dependent to care by any U.S. military medical treatment facility, or if none are available, by the closest civilian hospital that can provide the required medical care.

DoDDS representatives will use all diligent and reasonable efforts to contact the dependent's legal guardians prior to emergency treatment. If the DoDDS representative and or the military medical treatment facility cannot contact the sponsor or sponsor's spouse after reasonable efforts, I hereby authorize and release the attending physician and/or any other qualified medical personnel to examine my dependent and initiate care for my dependent if necessary. I authorize any emergency care deemed necessary by the attending physician and/or qualified medical personnel for treatment of injuries or illness involving immediate danger to life or limb or possible permanent injury to my dependent. I also authorize non-emergency care as necessary (e.g., suturing lacerations, splinting sprains, casting uncomplicated fractures, treating colds, allergies, and minor gastro-intestinal illnesses).

**Dependent's Medical Information** (completed by sponsor and reviewed by school nurse). My dependent has the following medical problems:

My dependent is allergic to the	ne following:		
My dependent is currently tal	king the following medic	ations:	
Date of last tetanus booster:		Date/location of sports physical:	
Sponsor Emergency Conta Full legal name:			
Home telephone	Duty telephone	SSN: e:	
Cell phone:	Spouse duty tele	ephone:	
Emergency contact (if sponso	or is unavailable) Name:		
emergency medical care of my or represent me and approve medi		onsible for the physical health of my dependent	nt and are authorized to
Activity Sponsor	Chaperon	Chaperon/Activity Spons	ör
School Nurse		School Principal	
		e will carry a copy of this authorization le competitions (original kept on file with sc	
Sponsor Signature	Date	Spouse Signature (optional)	Date

#### APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS MEDICAL CERTIFICATE TO BE COMPLETED BY EXAMINING PHYSICIAN

STUDENT'S N	IAME (LAST, FIR	ST, M.I.)	SCHOOL		GRADE	
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#### MEDICAL CERTIFICATE TO BE COMPLETED BY EXAMINING PHYSICIAN

YES NO

General healt	h is satisfactory?					
Is visual corre	ection required for co	ompetition? Glass	ses/Contacts			
Visual acuity:	right /lef	t Teste	d with/withou	ut correction		ı
Is there a brid	dge or false teeth?					L .
Are immuniza	tions current? If no,	list immunization	s received.			
Are there hea	Ith problems that sh	ould be evaluated	or treated be	fore participating		
	e sports? Explain:					
Is applicant's	blood pressure norn	nal? BP	1	Pulse		ı
Are there me Please advise	dical conditions that	may affect partici	pation? (e.g.,	asthma, diabetes)		
Are there me	dications that may be	e required for part	icipation?			
	complete medication		•			l
Basketl		Golf		Wrestling		
Baseba	II	Gymnastics		Volleyball		
Cross C	ountry	Soccer				
Cheerle	ading	Swimming		Other:		
Field He	ockey	Tennis				
Footbal	I	Track and Fie	eld			
I have examin compete in th from date ind DATE	e supervised athletic	c activities checke	d above. This	nim/her to be physic certificate is valid for RE OF EXAMINING F	or one	year

## INFANT, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH ASSESSMENT

nergency medi information is rticipate in cor LEPHONE	status of immunization cal procedures for chro disclosed outside DOD nmunity activities.	nic illnesses/conditi	ions; (4) refer child	d for
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			(DUTY)	
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### SECTION I

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### \*Childhood Immunization Schedule, Recommended

For the most up-to-date schedule, see <u>www.cdc.gov/nip</u>

### **STUDY TRIP FIRST AID**

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### SCHOOL PHONE:

### **AMBULANCE:**

### **MILITARY POLICE PHONE:**

#### **BLEEDING**:

- 1. PUT ON GLOVES and then clean the area with soap and water.
- 2. Apply a bandage.
- 3. For continued bleeding, apply direct pressure for 5–10 minutes.
- 4. For uncontrollable bleeding, summon help.

### **NOSEBLEEDS:**

- 1. Apply direct pressure for 5 minutes using thumb and index finger against both sides of the nose.
- 2. Encourage the student to not swallow the blood.
- 3. Keep head upright.

### SEIZURES:

- 1. Help the student to lie down on the floor.
- 2. Turn the head to one side.
- 3. DO NOT put anything in the student's mouth.
- 4. Note length of the seizure, nature of movement, level of consciousness.

### FOREIGN OBJECTS IN EYE:

- 1. Have the student blink rapidly for a few seconds.
- 2. If discomfort persists, flush the eye with clean water.
- 3. Encourage the student NOT TO RUB THE EYE.

### FAINTING/DIZZINESS:

- 1. Help the student put his/her head down below the heart.
- 2. Monitor breathing and level of consciousness.
- 3. If symptoms persist, summon help.

### **ASTHMA ATTACK:**

- 1. Student may experience shortness of breath, wheezing, and coughing and may express the need to use an inhaler.
- 2. If needed, assist the student with use of inhaler.
- 3. Keep calm, reassure the student, and allow the student to rest.
- 4. If no relief, seek further medical assistance.

### **STRAIN/SPRAIN/CONTUSION:**

If possible, elevate the area. Apply a cold pack—ALWAYS use several layers of clothing or padding between the cold pack and the student's skin.

### **Five Rights of Medication Administration**

Before administering medications . . .

## **STOP AND READ!**

 $\Rightarrow$  Is this the right *student*? Ask the student his or her name.

 $\Rightarrow$  Is this the right *medicine*? Check the bottle for the student's name.

 $\Rightarrow$  Is this the right *dosage*? Check the pharmacy label with the information on the Medication Log. If there is a discrepancy, do not administer the medication. Contact the school nurse.

 $\Rightarrow$  Is this the right *time?* Most medications may be administered up to one hour before or after the time listed on the label. Contact the school nurse if there is a longer time discrepancy.

 $\Rightarrow$  Is this the right *route*? Pour oral medication in the cup and give to the student. Administer inhaled medication through a spacer.

After medication has been properly administered, the medication log **MUST** be initialed in the correct date block and signed in the signature block.

\*\*\* Students' daily Peak Expiatory Flow Rate should be noted on the flow sheet and medications administered accordingly. \*\*\*

## [INSERT SCHOOL LETTERHEAD] OFFICE OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

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## GUIDELINES FOR SAFE ADMINISTRATION OF DAILY MEDICATIONS IN THE ABSENCE OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

These policies/guidelines are to ensure the safe and consistent administration of medication to students.

1. The only medications given at school are those that follow the DoDEA guidelines, published in the DoDEA *School Health Services Guide*.

2. The Student/Parent Handbook explains the policy and requirement for parents.

3. Only medications properly prescribed by a physician with the proper permission forms that match the pharmacy labels on the medication will be administered.

4. Under no conditions will over-the-counter medications be given.

5. All medications are stored in the locked cabinet. *[insert local locations]* 

6. Children are not allowed to carry their own medication and self-medicate, except for students who have a completed "Student Permission for Self-Medication" form on file.

7. Document all medication administered, using [insert local procedure].

### **MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION**

1. When preparing and administering medications, devote your full attention to the job. DO NOT become distracted by answering the phone or talking to students, etc. Medication errors are common when full attention is not given to preparing and administering the correct medication for the correct student.

2. Check the medication log for the names of students taking medication and the times the medication must be given at school. Read the information in the SUB FILE about the signs and symptoms of adverse reactions for the medications you will be giving.

3. Prepare the medications prior to the time the first medication is to be given.

4. The students should come automatically to get their medications at the appropriate times. If a student does not show up at the appropriate time, *[insert local procedure]*. Document when students are absent by *[insert local procedure]*.

5. Procedure:

IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER *"FIVE RIGHTS OF MEDICATION":* RIGHT MEDICATION RIGHT DOSE RIGHT PERSON RIGHT ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION RIGHT TIME

IT IS IMPORTANT TO READ THE LABEL ON THE CONTAINER *THREE TIMES:* ONCE WHEN YOU TAKE THE CONTAINER FROM THE SHELF ONCE WHEN YOU POUR THE MEDICATION (i.e., take it from the container) ONCE WHEN YOU REPLACE THE CONTAINER ON THE SHELF

6. Secure the medicine cabinet after each medication is given.

### 7. NEVER ACCEPT AND/OR GIVE NEW MEDICATIONS UNLESS A REGISTERED NURSE IS AVAILABLE TO CHECK THE DOCTOR'S ORDERS AGAINST THE CONTAINER FOR ERRORS.

8. Handle "PRN" (as needed) medications with the same caution as daily medications. These medications are recorded *[insert local procedure]*.

### \*\*\*\*\*REFER TO FORM "MEDICATION INSERVICE," H.3.10\*\*\*\*\*

### GUIDELINES FOR SUBSTITUTES AND OTHER PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO WORK IN THE SCHOOL HEALTH OFFICE WHO ARE *NOT* NURSES

### **DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- Notify the principal of any major health care concerns.
- Keep a record of all students who come into the health room, including the date, time, reason for the student's visit, and what you did for the student.
- Attempt to obtain a history of events leading up to the injury or illness that the student reports to you. Complete DoDEA forms when appropriate, such as accident reports.
- Provide first aid in accordance with the DoDEA *School Health Services Guide* and skills learned in Red Cross First Aid and CPR courses. Be sure to keep Red Cross certifications current.
- Call parent for any of the following:
  - Any illness or injury you believe is a cause for concern
  - Eye, ear, or teeth injuries
  - Head injury
  - Second- or third-degree burns
  - Severe pain
  - Sprains or possible fractures
  - Temperature higher than 100°
  - Vomiting
  - Wounds that may require stitches
- Give medications ONLY after the school nurse has trained you. Follow the <u>GUIDELINES FOR SAFE</u> <u>ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS</u> that you learned during your medication inservice. Refer to instructions as needed.
- Check all medications to make sure you have written parent permission, a container properly labeled by the pharmacy, and written instructions signed by the doctor. The pharmacy label and the doctor's instructions MUST MATCH IN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS:
  - Student's name
  - Doctor's name
  - Medication's name
  - Amount of medication to give
  - Time to give the medication

If any of the above do not match, return the medication to the parent to take back to the clinic for corrections.

- Contact the parent/guardian first. If you are still unable to reach the parent, try the emergency contact number or go through the sponsor's commander.
- Send the student back to class if his/her temperature is below 100° and no other serious symptoms are evident. Instruct the student to come back to the health room if he/she continues to feel sick.

- Send a note home with the student if you have been unable to contact the parent regarding an illness or injury. Keep a copy of the note.
- Respect confidentiality of information obtained from students and families regarding an illness, injury, diagnosis, or medical treatment.
- Share information with the principal and/or the counselor whenever there is a risk to the student or a specific law or policy requires such reporting. Such situations include child abuse or neglect, suicidal thoughts or actions, possession of controlled substances, assault to others, theft, runaway, etc.
- Refer chronic health problems to the school nurse or the local military medical facility when the school nurse is not available.
- Be honest with the students, parents, and teachers with whom you have contact. Tell them that you are NOT a nurse, but that you will try to help them to the best of your ability.

### FOR THE SAFETY OF STUDENTS AND TO PROTECT YOUR OWN LIABILITY:

- **DO** *NOT* make a diagnosis or prescribe treatment or medication.
- **DO** *NOT* give medical advice.
- **DO** *NOT* take on the role of a counselor. (Refer student to the appropriate school personnel: counselor, school psychologist, and school nurse.)
- **DO** *NOT* give or apply any medication unless it comes in a pharmacy-labeled container with written instructions from the doctor and written permission from the parent.
- **DO** *NOT* give or apply any new medications that have not first been checked by the school nurse.
- **DO** *NOT* accept new medications with alterations made by the parent on the pharmacy label or on the doctor's instructions.
- **DO** *NOT* give care beyond basic first aid for which you have current certification from the Red Cross.
- **DO** *NOT* perform any health procedures for which the state would require the performer to have an RN license, or anything that requires more than a clean procedure.
- **DO** *NOT* perform tasks or take responsibilities that will jeopardize the health of others or your own liability.
- **DO** *NOT* transport sick or injured students in your privately owned vehicle.

## **PLEASE POST**

## **MEDICAL EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

All school staff have the responsibility to respond to medical emergencies as quickly and efficiently as possible. To provide prompt action during an emergency, the following people will assume the following responsibilities:

## A. Teacher or Other Adult Observing an Incident

- Stay with the victim and remain calm.
- Immediately phone the nurse and the Main Office or send two responsible students (one to the Health Office and one to the Main Office). Ask the student messengers to request the help of the school nurse and the administrator.
- Continue to remain with the victim; give first aid as appropriate; direct students at the scene as needed.
- When the nurse and administrator arrive, escort the class away from the scene, if desirable.

## B. Nurse

- Go directly to the scene of the accident or problem and assume leadership in administrating first aid and in directing people at the scene.
- After a quick initial assessment, determine if an ambulance is needed. If an ambulance is needed, send a student runner or adult to the Main Office to request an ambulance.
- Notify parents of the incident as soon as possible after giving emergency care.
- Complete the Accident Report. Follow up on cases, prevention, etc.

## C. Main Office Secretary

- Notify the administration of the incident and location. Relay the message that a request for immediate help has been made.
- Send an administrator to the scene to help the nurse as needed.
- Send a student messenger back to the scene to relay that help is on the way.
- Stand by in the Main Office for messages from the nurse/administrator via runners.
- If the nurse requests an ambulance via messengers,

## PHONE FOR AN AMBULANCE IMMEDIATELY BY DIALING

- Be sure to instruct emergency personnel regarding the reason for the call, exact location of the incident, best means of reaching the scene, etc.
- Send a message to the accident scene that the ambulance call has been made.
- Send an administrator to meet the ambulance and to direct emergency personnel to the accident scene.
- Continue to communicate to the accident scene via runners as needed.

## D. Administrators

- Go to the scene of the accident and assist as able with first aid and in controlling the crowd.
- Provide whatever support is needed to help the nurse with the emergency.
- If the nurse is not in the building, request help from the nurse at\_
- Follow up on recommendations on the Accident Report for prevention of future occurrences.

## [Insert school letterhead] Office of the School Nurse

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## STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

As a volunteer assigned to work with the school nurse, I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, understand that all health and medical information, whether verbal or written, is confidential. I agree to treat all health information with the highest respect and will not discuss or repeat any information that I learn about a child's health, medical, or psychosocial status except as directed by the school nurse.

Volunteer Assistant's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Assistant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Nurse's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Professional Library**

The professional library of every DoDEA nurse should include the following references:

- 1. Vision Screening Guideline for School Nurses (National Association of School Nurses)
- 2. The Ear & Hearing: A Guideline for School Nurses (National Association of School Nurses)
- 3. Postural Screening Guidelines for School Nurses (National Association of School Nurses)
- 4. Overview of School Health Service (Third Edition) (National Association of School Nurses)
- 5. Quality Nursing Interventions in the School Setting: Procedures, Models, and Guidelines (National Association of School Nurses)
- 6. Clinical Guidelines for School Nurses/School Health Alert (School Health Alert) *This is in Section G in DoDEA Nurse's Manual.*
- 7. Clinical Guidelines in Child Health (Barmarrae Books)
- 8. The School Nurses Source Book of Individualized Healthcare Plans (Sunrise River Press)

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## **Communicable Disease Control**

A communicable disease is any illness or disorder transmitted from a person or an animal to another person directly by contact with excreta or discharges from the body, or directly by substances or inanimate objects. Many communicable diseases are present at any given time whenever children are in close proximity of each other, as in schools. Students in close contact with each other should be observed routinely for signs and symptoms of communicable diseases. When a suspected communicable disease is observed, that student should be referred to the school nurse for assessment. After assessment, notification should be made to the student's primary provider, the teacher, and the principal if the illness is a suspected "reportable" communicable disease. As part of a preventative health program, the primary provider and the teacher should be given exclusion and readmittance parameters. Periodic information from the school to parents/communicable diseases will help to foster the home-school partnership bond and alleviate fears and uncertainties within the community.

The school nurse should coordinate with the local medical treatment facility regarding communicable diseases, their signs and symptoms, treatment, and parameters for readmittance to school.

At all times the privacy of the student and his or her family should be of the utmost importance. Faculty and staff may need to be reminded that this information is confidential and is being shared with them on a need-to-know basis.

# **COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CHART**

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
Fifth Disease (Erythema Infectiosum)	1–2 weeks.	Most contagious just before onset of fever, gradually declining during the following week, and low to absent by the time the rash appears. Disease often occurs in late winter and spring, so Dx may be suspected in pre- rash infective stage if it has occurred in other family members. These children should not be in school.	Fever, malaise, headache, "slapped-face" erythema of cheeks, lace- like rash on arms, trunk, chest, thighs, extremities. Rash may recur 1–3 weeks or longer if exposed to sunlight or heat; arthritis may be a complication. Fifth disease may be subclinical.	Watch those most likely to have complications. (Persons with anemia or immuno- deficiencies and non- immune pregnant women may choose to avoid exposure to contacts. They should be advised to consult with their physician.)	Droplets of respiratory secretions or secondarily by hands.	Exclude until fever free for 24 hours. Emphasize importance of hand washing. Concern for immuno- suppressed persons. Pregnant women who become infected in the first 4–5 months are at risk for spontaneous abortion. Advise pregnant staff to consult their doctor.	See pages 57 and 99 in CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
Chicken pox (Varicella zoster virus)	Average 14–16 days for new exposures.	day before to about 6 days after lesions appear. May be prolonged in altered immunity.	Slight fever and eruptions progress from red bumps to small blisters and pustules to crusts. All forms of rash may be seen at the same time.	Observe for eruptions during incubation period.	Airborne respiratory, i.e. directly from person to person through discharges of nose and throat.	Exclude at least 5 to 7 days or until all pustules are dry, longer for immuno- compromised persons. Exclude immuno- supressed children who are non- vaccinated with negative hx. during outbreaks.	See page 99 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
Chlamydia (Chlamydia trachomatis)	If symptoms occur, they usually appear within 1–3 weeks of exposure.	Untreated sexual partner transmits the bacteria during vaginal, anal, or oral sex. Highly contagious, immediate infection.	"Silent disease"— 75% of women and 50% of men have no symptoms. Most infected people are not aware of their infection. Untreated men may have urethral infection and swollen and tender testicles. Women may have vaginal discharge or burning sensation with urination. With infection spread there may be pain, nausea, and bleeding. Permanent and irreversible damage can occur. Screening yields definitive diagnosis.	Sexual contacts.	Sexually transmitted (acquired) bacterial infection.	Treat with antibiotics. If untreated, causes severe reproductive and other health problems including pelvic inflammatory disease (PID). Critical link to infertility and tubal pregnancy. May also cause adverse outcomes of pregnancy (neonatal conjunctivitis and pneumonia).	See CDC GUIDELINES 2001.

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
Conjunctivitis, bacterial (Pink or red eye)	24–72 hours.	Until discharges and symptoms have cleared.	Redness of sclera with tearing and irritation, swelling of lid, sensitivity to light, and thick purulent discharge with crusting during sleep. Itchiness may be present.	Observe for symptoms.	Contact with eye discharges and articles soiled with discharge. Contagious, but transmitted less easily than viral form.	Exclude until completion of 24-hr. effective treatment with ophthalmic solution, until discharge and signs of infection have cleared. Hand washing.	See page 95 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.
Head Lice (Pediculosis capitis)	The louse cycle: Eggs (nits) hatch in 7–10 days; the female is able to lay eggs 10 days later and has a life span of 30 days. Adults can survive 1–2 days off a human host.	Contagion remains possible as long as louse or nits are present on infected persons. Both the nymphs and adult lice feed on human blood.	Lice don't carry disease, but a sensitivity or allergic reaction to the saliva of the louse's biting the scalp causes itching. Scratching the scalp can result in secondary skin infection and enlarged lymph nodes.	Observe for presence of nits or lice. Treat household and personal contacts if findings positive.	Direct contact with infested person, linens, brushes, hats, and scarves. Head-to-head contact; fabric items may be considered direct contact. Non-fabric items are low risk, such as headphones,	Personal treatment: non- prescription lice shampoos (e.g., RID, Nix, A200. Pronto, R&C) and generic equivalents kill lice but not all nits. They must be used as directed on dry hair, not previously	See pages 83– 86 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.
			Newly laid nits are 3–4 mm		solid helmets, and vinyl	conditioned. Ideally all nits	

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
			from the scalp, and the egg casings may stay on the hair as it grows. Over an inch, it is likely a casing of an already hatched louse.		headrests. These should be cleaned for general hygiene.	should be removed. If not, reshampooing in 7–10 days is necessary to kill newly hatched nymphs. Environmental treatment: Hot laundry (130° F for at least 5 minutes) and dryer for bed linen, night clothes, washable head wear, helmet liners, etc. Dry cleaning or storage in a bag for 2 weeks of unwashable items. Hot water (130° F) soaking of combs and brushes.	

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
						Fumigation or insecticide sprays are not advised; vacuuming is sufficient. Educate families to treat promptly so the infected child can return to school the same day, no later than the next day.	
Hepatitis A, B, C	A=2–6 weeks. B=1–6 months. C=7–9 weeks.	A=may be short. B=may be long. C=unknown.	When any one of the Hepatitis viruses invades the body, it affects the liver and produces similar symptoms, which may include rash, achy joints, fever, malaise, jaundice, dark	A=IG for close contacts, household members. Exposure at school not considered close contact. *Vaccine preventable. B=sexually transmitted disease. Drug users are at	A=Fecal-oral, transmitted by food and water. Virus is shed in stool of infected person; blood and secretions may be infectious. B, C=Contact with blood and other body fluids.	Universal precautions. Physician referral. A=Immune globulin is protective if given within 10–14 days of exposure. Return to school as soon as fever,	See pages 74– 76 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
			urine, light stools, headache.	higher risk. 10% of infected people develop chronic disease and become carriers. *Vaccine preventable. C=associated with blood transfusion. Contaminated needle piercing and tattooing implicated. No vaccine currently available.		jaundice are over and appetite has returned. B=post- exposure prophylaxis (HBIG) is effective because of long incubation period. C=Mild clinical course. Most infections are lifelong without significant damage. Chronic liver infection can result in cancer or liver failure.	

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
Herpes simplex, Type 2, Genital	First episode usually occurs within 2 weeks after the virus is transmitted.	Throughout period of sexual contact with infected partner, from viral shedding and herpes sores.	Most have no or minimal symptoms. When symptoms occur, they are blisters on or around the genitals or rectum. Blisters break, leaving sores that may take 2–4 weeks to heal on first occurrence. Outbreaks may occur, usually less severe than the initial episode.	Sexually transmitted disease. No school exclusion.	Direct sexual contact. Newborn baby may acquire infection during vaginal delivery if mother has active lesions.	Oral acyclovir prescribed to suppress painful lesions. There is no cure.	See page 77 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES; CDC GUIDELINES 2001.

DISEASE	INCUBA- TION PERIOD	CONTAGIOUS PERIOD	SYMPTOMS	CONTACTS	ROUTE OF INFECTION	TREATMENT	REFERENCE
Herpes Simplex, Type 1, Oral	First episode usually occurs within 2 weeks after virus is transmitted.	While lesion is active with virus- containing fluid.	Blister usually on or around, throat, lips, and facial areas. Blisters break, leaving crusted sores.	Transmitted by contact with fluids in the blisters.	Direct contact with fluid- containing blister.	Oral-base topical pain reliever. Cold compresses to reduce swelling. Applying petroleum jelly to infected area to prevent cracking.	See CLINICAL GUIDELINES IN CHILD HEALTH, 1999, pages 225–227.
HIV Human Immunodefici ency Virus Due to the complexity and changing status of this infection, school nurses should consult other available resources.	Variable.	Infected persons are considered contagious with direct/indirect contact.	Minimal to no symptoms present at infection.	Sexually transmitted disease by contact with infected blood, semen, vaginal fluid, and breast milk. See route of infection. No school exclusion.	Direct sexual contact with infected persons; sharing needles or syringes with infected persons; transfusions of infected blood. Babies born to HIV-infected women may become infected before or during birth or through breast milk. Condoms	Due to the current advances in medical treatment and the constantly changing regimen of care, treatment modalities are not listed in this document.	See CDC GUIDELINES 2001.

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					(latex), properly used, provide a degree of protection against HIV infection.		
Impetigo, Streptococci or Staphlococcus	4–10 days.	Until lesions are clear; usually 1 – 2 weeks.	Blister-like lesions, which develop into pustules, most commonly on hands and face. May occur anywhere on body.	Emphasize personal cleanliness. Stress hand washing and avoidance of common use items.	Contact with discharge from lesions or articles soiled by discharges or nasal carriers.	Exclude for 24 hrs. and prescribe ointment or oral antibiotic for moderate to severe cases. Cover dressing is required for school attendance.	See page 79 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

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Measles Rubeola Virus	8–12 days from exposure to onset of symptoms; for fever, 14 days for rash. [AU: Please clarify. It's not clear if "14 days" is referring to fever or rash.]	1–4 days before onset of fever to 2–4 days after appearance of rash.	High fever*, severe cough, coryza and conjunctivitis, deep red maculopapular rash; becomes confluent. Rash at end of 2nd or 3rd day during height of fever. Leukopenia. Symptoms are usually severe.	Observe and exclude those with fever, rash.	Respiratory droplets and less common airborne droplets; direct contact with nasal or throat secretions. *Vaccine preventable.	Exclude at least 5 days after rash unless unvaccinated; then exclude for 14 days after onset of symptoms. No specific antiviral therapy. Exposure is not a contra- indication to vaccination; if vaccinated within 72 hours of exposure, may provide some protection.	See page 99 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

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Meningitis (Viral or bacterial infection) Streptococ- cus pneumoniae & Neisseria meningititis	Dependent upon pathogen.	Dependent upon pathogen.	High fever*, headache, and stiff neck (in children over 2 years old). May develop over several hours or 2 days. Symptoms may include nausea, vomiting, photophobia, confusion, and sleepiness. Infants may appear inactive, irritable, or exhibit vomiting or feeding problems. May progress to seizures.	Direct contact.	Some forms are contagious through exchange of respiratory and throat secretions (e.g., coughing, kis- sing). Other forms (N. men- ingitiis, HIB) spread by close contact with infected persons.	Dependent upon pathogen.	See CDC GUIDELINES 2001.

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Mumps Parotitis Paramyxovirus	May occur 14– 25 days after exposure.	Three days before to the 4th day of active disease. Virus has been isolated from saliva 7 days before to 9 days after parotid swelling.	Fever*; swelling and tenderness of parotid (30-40%) or salivary glands; orchitis (testicular inflammation) usually unilateral in post- pubertal males (20%- 50%) or oophoritis (ovarian inflammation) in post- pubertal females (5%).	Observe for symptoms.	Spread through respiratory droplet or direct contact with saliva. *Vaccine preventable.	Exclude 9 days after onset of parotid gland swelling. For outbreak control, may consider excluding those not immunized until at least 26 days after the onset of parotitis in the last person with mumps in the affected school.	See CDC GUIDELINE 2001.
Pinworm Enterobius Vermicularis	2–8 wks. is estimate from acquisition of infection and deposit of eggs by female worm; eggs infective within a few hrs. after being deposited, usually in area of anus; eggs may remain infective in an indoor	As long as females discharge eggs and eggs are viable.	Itching around the anus, disturbed sleeping, and irritability. Adult worms may be seem at night directly in bedclothes or around the anal area. If pinworms are suspected, transparent adhesive tape (Scotch tape test) or a pinworm paddle are applied to the	If pinworm infection occurs again, all family members. Playmates and schoolmates should be considered. Each infected person should receive the usual 2-dose treatment. In some cases it may be necessary to	Pinworm eggs are infective within a few hours after being deposited on the skin. They can survive up to 2 weeks on clothing, bedding, or other objects. Infection occurs after accidentally swallowing	Children may return to school after the first treatment dose, bathing, and trimming and scrubbing nails. Treat with either prescription or over-the-counter anti-enterobius drugs. Consult health care provider prior to initiating treatment. Treatment is a 2- dose course. The	See CDC GUIDELINES 2001.

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	environment up to 2 to 3 weeks off host.		anal region. Test should be done as soon as waking in the morning, prior to bathing or bowel movement. Samples taken from under the fingernails may also contain eggs as a result of scratching.	treat 4–6 times, with treatments spaced 2 weeks apart. Humans are only known hosts.	infective pinworm eggs from contaminated surfaces of fingers.	second dose should be given 2 weeks after the first. Bath upon awakening; change and wash underwear each day; change nightclothes frequently. Institute personal hygiene and hand washing. Trim fingernails short. Eggs are light sensitive, so open blinds/curtains in the daytime.	
Ringworm (Tinea Capitis) fungal infection	10–14 days. May persist 3 months to several years.	Viable fungus may persist on contaminated materials for long periods.	Asymptomatic in early stages, but scalp or back of neck may itch. Balding patches (round or oval) on scalp. Characteristic "black dots" where hairs	Screen exposed children for signs of infection. Household contacts, especially cats, may be carriers.	Direct skin contact with lesions of infected persons or animals and fomite contaminated articles (combs, hats, backs of	Exclude until under medical care. Require written medical statement of treatment and return. Treatment is a combination of oral (griseofulvin) and	See page 100 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

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			break close to scalp within the patch. Patches may be small (1–2 cm), moderately large (up to 10 cm), or confluent so they appear irregularly shaped. Scalp may be smooth or scaly with pustules and crusting. Tender, boggy lesions (kerion), surrounded by pustules are due to hypersensitivity to fungus. Swollen posterior neck lymph nodes.		theater seats, barber clippers), bedding, and clothing	topical antifungal cream, lotion, or shampoo. Oral treatment is necessary because the fungus invades the hair shaft and goes beneath the skin. Griseofulvin is taken once or twice daily for 4– 8 weeks and may be continued until cultures are negative. Additional topical treatment (selenium sulfide) reduces infectivity, so the student can return to school as soon as treatment has begun.	

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Ringworm Tinea (fungal infection of the skin) Classification 1. Pedis (athlete's foot) 2. Cruris (jock itch) 3. Corporis (body) 4. Onychomy- cosis (nails)	4–10 days.	As long as lesions are present and viable fungus persists on contaminated materials.	Flat, ring-like lesions on exposed skin areas. Edges are reddish brown with small blisters or pustules. Lesions may be dry and scaling or moist and crusted; scaly macules gradually expand outward, clearing in the middle. Itching is common.	Observe for symptoms. Inform Advise parents to check family members, pets.	Direct and indirect skin-to- skin contact with infected persons, animals, or soil. Monitor for secondary infection.	Corporis: May exclude to initiate treatment. Affected area should be covered with a topical fungicide and a loose dressing or clothing for school; institute cleaning at school.	See page 102 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.
Scabies (Mites) Sarcoptes scabiei	Several days to 6 weeks. Itching may persist a month after treatment.	Until mites and eggs are destroyed by treatment, usually 1–2 courses of treatment a week apart.	Typical lesion is a "burrow" (tiny, pale, irregular line that marks the path of the mite). Rash: tiny (1–2 mm) erythematous papules, vesicles, pustules, and	Frequently found in other family members.	Direct skin-to- skin contact; can be acquired during sexual contact; mites can burrow under skin in 2– 5 minutes.	Exclude from school. May return 8 hours after first prescription treatment. Steroid ointments or lotions are contraindicated. Anti-scabetic lotions should	See page 103 in CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

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			scabs. Intense itching, especially at night.			not be used more than twice in a month. Watch for secondary infection.	
<b>Scarlet fever</b> (Scarlatina) Group A strep- tococcus	2–5 days.	From first day before fever to after 24 hours on antibiotics or 1 week after onset of rash.	Streptococcal: sore throat, sudden onset of fever. Rash is reddish- blue "goose flesh" and fades on pressure. Rash appears first on upper chest and face, then spreads to lower chest, abdomen, and arms. Rash and fever begin on 1st day; 5–7 days later, skin peels or flakes.	Observe for symptoms. Exclude those with fever and sore throat.	Person-to- person carriers: articles soiled by nose and throat secretion droplet; food may be contaminated.	Curable with penicillin/antibio tics. Complications (nephritis, carditis) are rare but severe. Return to school when fever-free and after 24 hours of antibiotics.	See page 99 in CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

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Tuberculosis myco- bacterium tuberculosis (childhood- primary)	In a small number of children the germs set up a low-grade infection in the lymph nodes in the center of the chest. In 6– 8 weeks the body defenses wall off the infection with scar tissue, and there are no further consequences other than a permanent positive tuberculin skin test. This person is a skin converter (SC) and has latent infection.	Active tuberculosis bacilli in the infected person. NOTE that in most children who inhale the disease, their body's defenses vanquish all the germs.	Positive tuberculosis skin test. Most cases develop no further symptom of TB in their lifetime. About 5% of skin converters develop more serious forms of TB in their lungs or other parts of the body, which, if untreated, can be serious.	Persons with whom the child has frequent contact should be skin tested.	Airborne, inhaled. In practically all cases, children who develop the disease catch it from prolonged household contact, not from casual or sporadic contact such as at school, on the bus, at parties, or at picnics. Risk of infection is related to exposure. The risk of developing disease is related to the health of the infected person and is greater for children under age 3,	Children who convert are usually treated with isoniazid (INH), by mouth for 6–12 months. Sometimes Rifampin is given alone or with other medication preventively. Preventive therapy is designed to reduce the risk of more serious disease. For children with active disease, 3–4 medications may be given concurrently. Multidrug- resistant strains of TB bacteria	See page 126 of CLINICAL GUIDELINES.

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					the elderly, those who are immuno suppressed or undernourished, diabetics, and substance abusers.	have recently developed. BCG vaccine is used in many countries to prevent disseminated TB in infants. A history of BCG does not contraindicate PPD testing nor alter the interpretation.	
Venereal warts Human papillomavirus (HPV)	Warts may appear within several weeks after sexual contact with infected person or may take months to appear.	Infected partner can transmit at any contact. 30 strains of HPV are sexually transmitted. Diagnosis usually made on the basis of abnormal Pap smears.	Most HPV-infected persons have no symptoms but can transmit the virus to a sex partner. Warts appear as soft, moist, pink or red swellings; may be raised or flat, single or multiple, small or large. Some cluster together, forming a cauliflower-like shape. They may appear on the	Sexual. No exclusion needed.	Sexually transmitted disease. Condoms may reduce, but do not eliminate, the risk of transmission to uninfected partners.	Visible warts may be removed, but no treatment is better than another, and no single treatment is ideal for all cases. No cure. Infection usually goes away on its	See CDC GUIDELINES 2001.

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			vulva, in or around the vagina, anus, cervix, penis, scrotum, groin or thigh. May lead to cervical cancer.			own. Cancer- related types are more likely to persist.	
Whooping Cough Pertussis	Usually 7–10 days, rarely more than21 days.	Three weeks from early cold- like symptoms or after onset of paroxysms (approximately 21 days).	Cold-like symptoms with irritating cough that becomes a paroxysmal series of coughs followed by high-pitched whoop or crowing, often followed by vomiting. Adolescents and adults may not have "whoop." Classic pertussis is 6 to 10 weeks; many may be less than 6 weeks.	Exclude non- immune children for 14 days.	Droplet: person to person contact with nasal and pharyngeal discharge. *Vaccine preventable.	Exclude from school for (+) culture, then exclude for 5 days of a 14- day antibiotic treatment. All household contacts and other close contacts, such as those in child care, regardless of age and vaccination status, should also receive antibiotics treatment.	See CDC GUIDELINES 2001.

\*Elevated temperature of 100° F or greater demonstrates the need to exclude the student from the school setting. This student should be fever free (an oral temperature below 99° F) for 24 hours before returning to school. Fever is noted to be present at 100.4° F per CLINICAL GUIDELINES June 2001

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