

SCHOOL HEALTH UPDATE 2016

Division of School Health Bureau of Community Health Systems

DIVISION OF SCHOOL HEALTH

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ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 31 of 2014 - Child Abuse Training
 - ▣ All persons licensed or certified under Department of State
 - ▣ Initial: 3 hours
 - ▣ Renewal: 2 hours
 - ▣ Training approved by the department

ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 31 of 2014 - Child Abuse Training
- Eligibility for Exemption Provision
 - Department of State - licensed school staff (CSN, LPN or non-certified RN)
 - Completed PDE/DHS approved course
 - Training equals or exceeds amount of training required by this act

ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Clarification from the Board of Nursing on licensure renewal and child abuse training:
 - ▣ Training must have taken place within the 2 year licensure period
 - ▣ Training must be on either the PDE or BON list of approved courses
 - ▣ Certificate must be from the approved provider, not the school district
 - ▣ Name on certificate must match name on license

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- Act 70 of 2010
 - ▣ <http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/reportabuse/dhsadultprotectiveservices/>
 - ▣ Adults ages 18 – 59 with physical or mental impairment
 - ▣ School nurses and other school medical personnel- mandated reporter
 - ▣ Other school personnel-voluntary reporters

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- Act 70 of 2010
 - Call 1-800-490-8505 to report suspected abuse only
 - Answered by Area Agency on Aging
 - Direct questions to APS Division at RA-PWAPSQuestions@pa.gov or 717-736-7116

- Act 84 of 2015
 - ▣ CHIP required to distribute notice of program availability electronically to non-public and public schools no later than August 15.
 - ▣ No cost associated with electronic dissemination

CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PRO.

- DHS is exploring more effective ways to distribute hard copies as the success rate has been low in previous years
- Are hard copies needed in addition to electronic?
- Are hard copies getting in the hands of families?
- Who should the shipment be addressed to at district/school level to ensure successful distribution?

CHIP SCHOOL FLYER

- Ensure families who need CHIP are made aware of the program
 - ▀ free or low cost for eligible Pennsylvania children up to age 19.
- Post a link to the flyer on your schools website
- Post the flyer in your nurse's office

CHIP SCHOOL FLYER

- Order additional CHIP materials at www.CHIPcoversPAkids.com
- For more information call 1-800-986-KIDS

CHIP SCHOOL FLYER

- CHIP “REALLY” flyer was redesigned in color for visual appeal
- Flyer is now known as the “SCHOOL” flyer
- English and Spanish in one file

The flyer features a photograph of two children, a boy and a girl, against a bright blue background. The boy is in the foreground, looking towards the camera, while the girl is behind him, looking up and to the right. Below the photo is the CHIP logo, which consists of the letters 'chip' in a stylized font with a small figure of a child above the 'i'. To the right of the logo is the text 'Pennsylvania's Children's Health Insurance Program' and 'We Cover All Kids.' Below this is the main headline: 'Health coverage for your child is well within reach with CHIP.' To the left of a vertical line is a list of services covered by CHIP, and to the right is a paragraph explaining that CHIP covers uninsured kids up to age 19 in Pennsylvania. At the bottom, there is a footer with the text 'APPLY/RENEW CHIPcoversPAkids.com • 800-986-KIDS' and the Pennsylvania state logo with the text 'pennsylvania TOM WOLFE, GOVERNOR'.

Health coverage for your child is well within reach with CHIP.

CHIP COVERS

- Routine check-ups
- Prescriptions
- Hospitalization
- Dental
- Eye Care
- Eyeglasses
- Behavioral care
- Specialty care
- More

CHIP covers uninsured kids up to age 19 in Pennsylvania. It doesn't matter why your kids don't have health coverage right now; CHIP may be able to help. Most kids receive CHIP for free. Others can get the same benefits at a low cost.

CHIP is brought to you by leading health insurance companies who offer quality, comprehensive coverage.

If your income is below CHIP guidelines, your child may be enrolled in Medical Assistance.

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- Includes website and phone number
- List of benefits including eyeglasses, behavioral care and more!



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ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 86 of 2016
 - ▣ Section 221.2 Data Collection Reduction
 - ▣ Dept. of Education to review data collection requirements including health
 - ▣ Could potentially affect SHARRS
 - ▣ Section 510.2 Publication of Policies
 - ▣ Communicable Diseases and Immunization
 - ▣ Health Examinations and Screenings
 - ▣ Student Use of Medications
 - ▣ School District's Wellness Policy

ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 86 of 2016
 - ▣ Section 1401- Definitions
 - ▣ Add definition for diabetes medical management plan, service agreement, health care practitioner and IEP
 - ▣ Section 1414.3- Education of School Employees in Diabetes Care and Management
 - ▣ Dept. of Health with Dept. of Education
 - ▣ Establish educational modules and guidelines

ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 86 of 2016
 - CSN may identify at least one school employe
 - School employe identified shall complete annual education
 - Employe shall have the right to decline the responsibility
 - Employe may be designated in student's service agreement or IEP to provide diabetes care

ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 86 of 2016
 - ▣ parent/guardian and health care practitioner authorization that employe may administer specified medications
 - ▣ Section 1414.4 Diabetes Care in Schools
 - ▣ Parent/guardian shall provide written authorization as part of diabetes medical management plan
 - ▣ Diabetes care shall be consistent with school policy and student's service agreement

ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 86 of 2016
 - Bus driver may be provided with information based on service agreement
 - Section 1414.5 Possession and Use of Diabetes Medication and Monitoring Equipment
 - Student may possess and self-administer diabetes medication and operate monitoring equipment
 - Section 1414.6 Liability

ENACTED LEGISLATION

- Act 86 of 2016
 - ▣ Section 1414.7- Coordinating, Supervising or Educating not Considered Delegation
 - ▣ Section 1414.8- Diabetes Care in Nonpublic Schools
 - ▣ May comply with education of school employes and provision of diabetes-related care to a student

MEDICAL MARIJUANA

- Act 16 of 2016
 - Full implementation in 18 – 24 months
 - Patients with serious medical condition
 - Safe Harbor Letter
 - Allows applicant to administer medical marijuana to minor who suffers from “serious medical condition” identified in law
 - Allows applicant to obtain medical marijuana from outside of the Commonwealth
 - Valid until May 17, 2018

NARCAN (NALOXONE)

- Act 139 of 2014 –
Administration of naloxone
 - Goal – increased availability in community setting
 - Participation by school – local decision
 - Consult with school solicitor, doctor, nurse(s) and administration
 - [School Health naloxone webpage](#)



NARCAN (NALOXONE)

- Adapt Pharma Grant Program
 - ▣ Free, two-dose carton
 - ▣ Public high schools (students in grades 9 – 12)
 - ▣ Intranasal spray (only formulation FDA approved)



NARCAN (NALOXONE)

- Adapt Pharma Program
 - ▣ Standing order from the school physician
 - ▣ Administrative policy
 - ▣ Proof CSN completed Department of Health approved training
 - ▣ Application
 - ▣ <http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/School%20Health/Pages/Narcan-Grant-Application-Packet.aspx>



NARCAN (NALOXONE)

- Adapt Pharma Grant Program
 - ▣ Submit completed packet to RA-DHNARCAN-SCHOOLS@pa.gov
 - ▣ Once application approved, school will be asked to provide PPID number and name of CSN picking up carton
 - ▣ Distribution through state health centers, county/municipal health departments

NARCAN (NALOXONE)

- Applications continue to be accepted (71 approved)
- Address questions to RA-DHNARCAN-SCHOOLS@pa.gov
- NASN developing Naloxone education program for school nurses

NARCAN (NALOXONE)

- Act 139 of 2014
 - Administration of naloxone by persons “in a position to assist a person at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.
 - Responsibility of school entity to determine who will be allowed to administer naloxone under the school’s standing order.



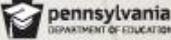
Don't Wait.

Vaccinate.

- It's back-to-school time – make sure your children's vaccines are up-to-date!
- Vaccines help protect children against 14 serious childhood diseases, like whooping cough and measles.
- Vaccine-preventable diseases can be very serious, may require hospitalization, or can even be deadly – especially in young children.
- Make vaccines part of your child's regular school physical before they enter kindergarten and seventh grade.
- Contact your health care provider today to make sure you and your family stay on track for immunizations.

Don't wait. Vaccinate.
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IMMUNIZATIONS

- Regulatory Process
 - ▣ IRRC has provided comments
 - ▣ DOH must address every comment received
 - ▣ Regulations repeat process
 - ▣ Final approval

IMMUNIZATIONS

- Back to School Immunization Clinics
 - ▣ State health centers and county/municipal health departments
 - ▣ Throughout month of August, including evening hours
 - ▣ Call 877-PAHEALTH to verify hours and schedule appointment
 - ▣ www.health.pa.gov/schoolhealth
 - ▣ Parent Letter
 - ▣ Immunization Clinic Flyer

Back-to-School Immunization Clinics

for uninsured or underinsured children



Evening and
Saturday hours
available



The Pa. Department
of Health is
providing
back-to-school
immunization clinics.

By Appointment Only
Immunization records
required

Call 1-877-PA-HEALTH
to find clinic dates and
locations near you.

You are eligible for vaccines at **LITTLE TO NO COST** if you are:

- **underinsured** (your insurance does not cover the vaccine); or
- **uninsured** (no insurance).

(Maximum \$5.00 cost – payable by check or money order)

Please call the Pa. Department of Health at 1-877-PA-HEALTH
if you have questions or to schedule an appointment.

IMMUNIZATION RESOURCES

- PA - Statewide Immunization Information System (PA-SIIS)
 - ▣ View-only access for school nurses
 - ▣ <http://www.health.pa.gov/MyRecords/Registries/PA%20SIIS/Pages/default.aspx>
- KIDS Plus (Philadelphia Immunization Information System)
 - ▣ <http://kids.phila.gov/>

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SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM

The School Health Program is the oldest program of public health responsibilities predating 1895. The School Health Program serves public, private and non-public schools in Pennsylvania. The School Health Program is responsible for providing technical programs and services to schools, parents, and the community at large regarding school health programs and services.

[Directory for School Health Calls](#) - School Health issues are shared by several Departments (for example, Agriculture, Education, Health, and Public Welfare). This directory provides phone numbers and

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[School Health Consultants Contact Information](#) - Questions and concerns related to school health should be directed to these nurses. Questions regarding immunizations and suspected communicable disease outbreaks should be directed to 1-877-PAHEALTH.

[2015 Recommended Essential References for all School Health Offices](#)

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Abuse (Child)	Access (Pennsylvania School-Based Access Program)
Accommodations	Adult Protective Services
Allergies	Arthritis
Asthma	Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADD/ADHD)
	Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

HPV



HPV

- HPV vaccination
 - ▣ CDC and National Comprehensive Cancer Control Priority
 - ▣ Healthy People 2020 Goal- 80% vaccinated
 - ▣ Pa rates- only 48% of females & 26% of males (ages 13-15) have >3 doses
 - ▣ PA Cancer Control Program Goal- increase by 20% by June 2017

HPV

- CDC recommends the following adolescent vaccines
 - ▾ Tdap
 - ▾ MCV4
 - ▾ HPV – 3 doses
 - ▾ Flu
- The #1 predictor of vaccination
 - ▾ Strong recommendation from a healthcare provider

HPV

- Pa Cancer Control HPV Toolkit
 - ▣ Know the facts
 - ▣ Information on the safety, efficacy and need for HPV vaccine
 - ▣ Join the cause
 - ▣ Increase community awareness among parents, adolescents and school professionals
 - ▣ Lead the conversation
 - ▣ Learn how to successfully communicate about the HPV vaccine

HPV

- Joanna Stoms MPA, RRT
 - ▣ Cancer Plan Manager
 - ▣ Pa Department of Health, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control
 - ▣ jstoms@pa.gov
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 - ▣ HPV Resources for Healthcare Professionals
 - ▣ <http://www.cdc.gov/hpv/hcp/index.html>

ZIKA

- PA Department of Health
 - ▣ www.zika.pa.gov
- CDC Interim Guidance
 - ▣ <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/schools.html>
- Use of insect repellent
 - ▣ Recommend treating as over-the-counter medication
 - ▣ Be aware of potential allergies

HEARING SCREEN PROCEDURE

HEARING SCREEN

The Pennsylvania Public School Code, Article XIV School Health Services, Section 1402. Health Services requires that "Each child of school age shall be given by methods established by the Advisory Health Board,...(2) a hearing test by a school nurse or medical technician..."

The hearing screen requirement is further defined in regulation, 28 PA Code, Chapter 23, Section 23.5. Hearing screening tests:

- (a) *Identity.* A hearing screening test determines the response to discrete frequencies presented at a specified decible level.
- (b) *Test equipment.* An individual pure tone audiometer or other screening equipment approved by the Department of Health shall be utilized for hearing screening tests.
- (c) *Frequencies employed.* Frequencies of 250, 500, 1,000, 2,000, and 4,000 cycles per second shall be employed in screening testing.
- (d) *Pupils to be tested.* Each year, pupils in kindergarten, special ungraded classes and grades one, two, three, seven and eleven shall be given a hearing screening test."

[Pennsylvania School Health Procedures: Conducting Hearing Screens](#)

[Hearing Screen Checklist](#)

[Daily Biologic Calibration Worksheet](#)

[Parent/Guardian Notification](#)

[Physician/Hearing Specialist Report](#)

Updated: April 4, 2016

ORDERING SCHOOL HEALTH FORMS

- School Health Record only form available for bulk order.
- Order in increments of 50
- Orders take 2-3 weeks.
- Contact school health consultant for incorrect orders.

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH TRACKING

- CDC National Environmental Public Health Tracking (EPHT) grant
- www.doh.pa.gov/epht
 - Data on demographics, health outcomes, behavioral risk factors and physical environment
 - Resources for schools (8th and 9th grade- radon, carbon monoxide, asthma and heat-related illnesses)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- Learning Management System (LMS) transition to TrainingFinder Real-time Affiliate Integrated Network (TRAIN)
 - ▣ Transition to occur this fall
 - ▣ Recommend users:
 - ▣ Log in to ensure account remains active
 - ▣ Copy certificates and transcripts

LIVE HEALTHY PA

- www.livehealthypa.com
 - ▣ Designed to promote initiatives aimed at improving health
 - ▣ Online hub where communities, schools, organizations and businesses can connect to access information and share ideas about preventing disease and injury

ACTION FOR HEALTHY KIDS

- Physical Activity Grant
 - School Breakfast Grant
- ▣ Watch Grant Opportunities page of School Health website for details

PROJECT LAUNCH

- Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health
 - ▣ Create comprehensive plan to promote wellness of young children (birth to age 8)
 - ▣ Screening and assessment in range of child serving settings
 - ▣ Integration of behavioral health into primary care settings

PROJECT LAUNCH

- ▀ Mental health consultation in early care and education
- ▀ Enhanced home visitation
- ▀ Family strengthening and parent skill building
- ▀ Looking for greater diversity on state council from health standpoint
- ▀ Contact Bradford Hartman at 717-547-3375 if interested or for more information

SHARRS

- Change for school year 2016-17
 - ▣ ADM and Cost of Services page
 - ▣ Remove “ungraded special education” category
 - ▣ Per PDE, “special education students are placed in grades based on their Individualized Education Program (IEP)”

SHARRS

- School Year 2016-17
 - ▣ Will be monitoring CSN caseloads
 - ▣ CSN must be assigned to students in every building provided school health services
 - ▣ Must rotate through all assigned buildings on a regular basis
 - ▣ Determined by number of students and health care needs
 - ▣ Supplemental staff may not carry the caseload

SHARRS

- School Year 2016-17
 - ▣ Mandated Screens (growth, hearing, scoliosis and vision)
 - ▣ Include only initial screens for students in mandated (or modified) grades
 - ▣ Do not include re-screens
 - ▣ Do not include students in other grades

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES IN THE SCHOOL SETTING

According to the Pennsylvania Public School Code, all students are to have access to school nurse services. School nurses are Registered Nurses with a BSN licensed by the Department of State, Board of Nursing and certified by the Department of Education. School nurses work under the same Nurse Practice Act and rules as Registered Nurses in any other practice setting.

[Recommended Essential References for School Health](#)

Resources for Medical Abbreviations

[Taber's Medical Dictionary Online](#)

[Joint Commission \(JCAHO\) Official "Do Not Use" List of Abbreviations](#)

[New Nurses: Your License to Practice](#) The National Council of State Boards of Nursing Inc. (NCSBN) has debuted (September 15, 2015) this video, to help newly licensed nurses better understand nursing licensure and regulation. It also serves as a reminder to experienced nurses.

QUICK LINKS

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NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- School nurses function under multiple laws:
 - ▣ Nurse Practice Act
 - ▣ Public School Code
 - ▣ Federal accommodation laws
- Licensure requirements in effect regardless of the nurse's practice setting

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Nurses responsibility to be familiar with licensure requirements
 - ▣ Pennsylvania Nurse Practice Act and regulations
 - ▣ ANA/NASN Scope and Standards of Practice
 - ▣ ANA Code of Ethics

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES



Nursing: Scope
and Standards
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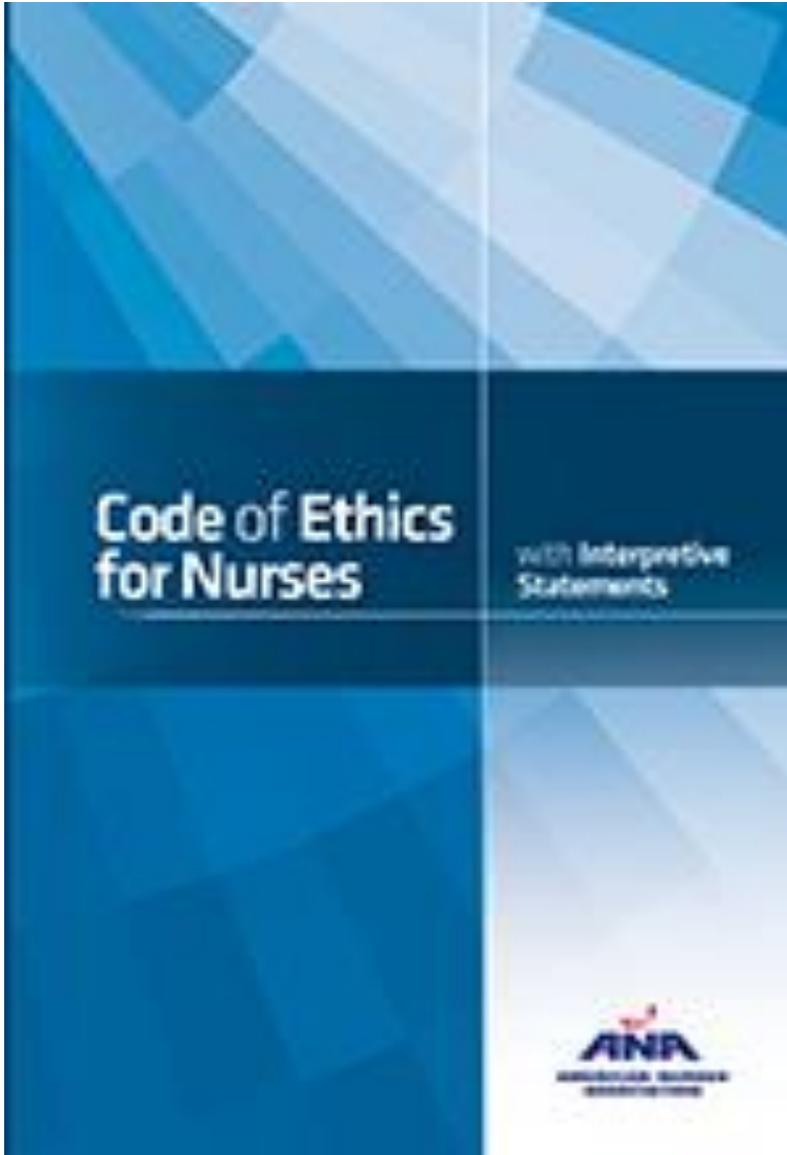
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NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- PA Public School Code
 - § 14-1401. Definitions
 - "CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE" or "CHILD OF SCHOOL AGE" means every child attending or who should attend an elementary grade or high school, either public or private, within the Commonwealth and children who are attending a kindergarten which is an integral part of a local school district.
 - § 14-1402. Health services
 - Each child of school age shall be given by methods established by the Advisory Health Board
 - Screens (growth, hearing, scoliosis, vision)
 - Examinations (dental, physical)
 - Every child of school age shall be provided with school nurse services

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- School Nurse Act, Act 707 of 1962
 - Equal health services required for public and non-public school pupils (including nonacademic activities)
 - Responsibility on public school administrators
 - Services to be rendered in school student attends

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- School district only has to provide what is provided to their public school students
 - Not required to provide school health services on days school district is not in session
 - Are required to provide transportation according to calendar provided by private/nonpublic school at start of school year

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Provision of School Health Services in other educational settings
 - ▣ If student enrolled in school district:
 - ▣ School district is responsible for provision of school health services.
 - ▣ If student withdraws from school district:
 - ▣ Other educational entity is responsible for provision of school health services.
 - ▣ Entity may request services from school district where located.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Special Kids Network
 - ▣ Provide information on health care services and other resources
 - ▣ Offer service coordination through PA Elks Home Service Program
 - ▣ Support 8 regional coordinators (parents of children with special health care needs)
 - ▣ 800-986-4550

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- School Administration Authority to oversee nursing practice
 - ▣ Certification and Staffing Policy Guidelines (CSPG)
 - ▣ In loco parentis
 - ▣ Pennsylvania Nurse Practice Act
 - ▣ ANA Foundational Documents of Professional Nursing
 - ▣ Nursing Scope and Standards of Practice, 3rd Edition
 - ▣ Code of Ethics for Nurses with Interpretive Statements

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- CSPG 95- Principal
 - An educator holding a valid Pa. certificate as a K-12 Principal is qualified to perform the following:
 - 2. Supervision and direction of certified and non-certified staff persons required for school operation exclusive of directing health services controlled by the Nurse Practice Act.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- CSPG 101- Paraprofessional Staff
 - ▀ 7. Paraprofessionals serving as health room aides or other non-professional school district employees shall not be directed to engage in health-related activities reserved exclusively for licensed professionals and controlled by the Nurse Practice Act or other medically related laws.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Public School Code, Section 1317. Authority of Teachers, Vice Principals and Principals over Pupils.—
 - Every teacher, vice principal and principal in the public schools shall have the right to exercise the same authority as to conduct and behavior over the pupils attending his school, during the time they are in attendance, including the time required in going to and from their homes, as the parents, guardians or persons in parental relation to such pupils may exercise over them.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Nurse Practice Regulations (49 Pa. Code, Chapter 21, Section 21.11d)
 - ▣ The Board recognizes standards of practice and professional codes of behavior, as developed by appropriate nursing associations, as the criteria for assuring safe and effective practice.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- American Nurses Association (ANA)
Scope and Standard of Practice
 - Authoritative statements of the duties that all registered nurses, regardless of role, population, or specialty, are expected to perform competently
 - Standard 7. Ethics
 - The registered nurse practices ethically.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- ANA Code of Ethics
 - ▀ Provision 4- The nurse has authority, accountability and responsibility for nursing practice; makes decisions; and takes action consistent with the obligation to promote health and to provide optimal care.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- ANA Code of Ethics, Provision 4
 - 4.1 Authority, Accountability and Responsibility
 - 4.2 Accountability for Nursing Judgments, Decisions, and Actions
 - 4.3 Responsibility for Nursing Judgments, Decisions, and Actions
 - 4.4 Assignment and Delegation of Nursing Activities or Tasks

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- ANA Code of Ethics
 - ▣ Provision 6 - The nurse, through individual and collective effort, establishes, maintains, and improves the ethical environment of the work setting and conditions of employment that are conducive to safe, quality health care.
 - ▣ 6.3 Responsibility for the Healthcare Environment

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- School jurisdiction
 - ▣ Public School Code, Section 210
 - ▣ School board may adopt rules during time students are under supervision of school, including time spent in coming to and returning from school.
 - ▣ 22 Pa. Code, Section 15.1
 - ▣ Equal opportunity to participate in the school program and extracurricular activities

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Students to receive services while under school jurisdiction
 - ▣ “Door to door”
 - ▣ School - sponsored activities
 - ▣ Field trips
 - ▣ Extracurricular activities
 - ▣ Transportation

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- School jurisdiction
 - ▣ ADAA Section 104.34 Educational setting
 - ▣ Providing or arranging for provision of nonacademic and extracurricular services and activities
 - ▣ ADAA Section 104.37 Nonacademic services
 - ▣ Nonacademic services and activities may include transportation, health services, ...

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- School jurisdiction
 - ▣ U.S. Dept. of Education
 - ▣ Students with disabilities may not be excluded from participating in nonacademic services and extracurricular activities on the basis of disability.
 - ▣ Students must be provided opportunity to participate in nonacademic services that is equal to that provided to persons without disabilities.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Sharing health information
 - ▣ Expectation of privacy
 - ▣ FERPA - educational need to know
 - ▣ Health concern lists
 - ▣ Pa. Public School Code, § 14-1409 Confidentiality, transference and removal of health records
 - ▣ All health records established and maintained pursuant to this act shall be confidential, and their contents shall be divulged only when necessary for the health of the child or at the request of the parent or guardian to a physician ...

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- 49 Pa. Code § 21.18
 - ▣ Standards of nursing conduct, require a registered nurse to safeguard the patient's dignity, the right to privacy and the confidentiality of patient information.
- ANA Code of Ethics for Nurses
 - ▣ Nurse safeguards patient's right to privacy
 - ▣ Duty to maintain confidentiality

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Transferring health records
 - ▣ Pa Public School Code, 14-1402.
 - ▣ Maintain comprehensive health record
 - ▣ 28 PA Code, 23.55
 - ▣ Records shall be kept in building where child attends
 - ▣ Records shall be transferred with child

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Transferring health records
 - ▣ No differentiation between:
 - ▣ In-state and out-of-state transfers
 - ▣ Cyber or charter school and school district
 - ▣ School may keep a copy but original comprehensive record is to be transferred

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Transferring health records
 - ▣ Student no longer enrolled in SD
 - ▣ No educational need to have access to their record
 - ▣ If have electronic records, print a copy of record to send to receiving school
 - ▣ Should be separated from academic records
 - ▣ Marked as confidential

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Responsibilities:
 - ▣ Coordinate care
 - ▣ Develop plans of care
 - ▣ Participate in teams (ex. Student Assistance, IEP)
 - ▣ Communicate with parents
 - ▣ Exclusively connected with medical and dental school health activities (28 Pa. Code Chapter 23, Section 23.34)

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Supplemental staff
 - ▣ Can't carry a caseload
 - ▣ Function under their own license
 - ▣ Under the direction of the CSN
 - ▣ Responsibilities:
 - ▣ Daily care of students
 - ▣ Assist with completion of mandated screens and exams

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- LPN
 - ▣ Must function as part of a team
 - ▣ Cannot carry a caseload
 - ▣ Cannot substitute for a CSN
 - ▣ May not use the title: school nurse
- Non-certified RN
 - ▣ Cannot carry a caseload
 - ▣ May not use the title: school nurse

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Suggestions
 - ▣ Routinely monitor school board policies
 - ▣ CSN should be part of the discussion when policies are reviewed and updated.
 - ▣ Concern with policy or administrative directive
 - ▣ Put concerns in writing
 - ▣ Contact school health consultant in your district

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Field trips
 - ▣ Can't refuse student attendance on field trip because nurse not available (IDEA/504)
 - ▣ May not request waiver of liability from parent (Berlin Brothersvalley SD-1988)
 - ▣ Advance notice to nurse for planning
 - ▣ Limit number of field trips from building per day

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Field trips
 - ▣ Utilize
 - ▣ Licensed nurse from sub list
 - ▣ Licensed volunteer
 - ▣ Need clearances
 - ▣ Approval as district volunteer
 - ▣ Change of dosage time or skipping a dose requires provider permission
 - ▣ Invite parent or parent designee (grandparent, aunt)- parent provides med

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Out – of - state field trips
 - ▣ Check with Board of Nursing in visiting state
 - ▣ <https://www.ncsbn.org/contact-bon.htm>
 - ▣ Obtain their answer in writing, if possible
- Out – of - country field trips
 - ▣ Check with local consulates in each country

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Delegation to student by parent not allowed
 - ▣ Student under school jurisdiction
 - ▣ Zero tolerance drug policies
- Self-carry and administer by student
 - ▣ Emergency medications only (asthma inhalers, epinephrine auto-injectors)
 - ▣ Requires two-part provider order to carry AND self-administer

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Extracurricular activities
 - ▣ Same rules as field trips
- Pre-pouring medications
 - ▣ 28 Pa. Code, Part IV Health Facilities
 - ▣ **§ 109.62. Administration of drugs**
 - (a) The individual preparing a dose of medication for administration shall also administer it, except as provided by subsections (b) and (c).

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Medication orders

- **§ 21.14. Administration of drugs.**

- (a) A licensed registered nurse may administer a drug ordered for a patient in the dosage and manner prescribed.

- Parents are not recognized as licensed prescribers.
 - Prescriber must be licensed to practice within Pennsylvania.

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Medication orders (cont.)
 - ▣ Dosages must be specific
 - ▣ Administer “per packaging instructions” not acceptable
- Standing orders
 - ▣ New school year begins July 1
 - ▣ Need orders for activities prior to start of school (e.g., band camp)
 - ▣ Written to cover volunteer nurses or students in private/non-pubs

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Provider orders
 - ▣ Is provider aware orders may also be for school staff?
 - ▣ If cover non-public/private schools, are orders written for students provided school health services by XYZ School District

NURSE PRACTICE ISSUES

- Require licensed medical professional to administer
 - ▣ Intranasal Versed
 - ▣ Diastat