

School Health Requirements for NC Charter Schools

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RESOURCES FOR DAILY USE

Resources

Guidance for Emergencies and School Health related topics..

- NC School Health Program Manual
http://www2.ncdhhs.gov/dph/wch/doc/lhd/North_Carolina_School_Health_Program_Manual-Sixth_Edition.pdf
- Emergency Guidelines for Schools
<http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/EMS/pdf/kids/guidelines.pdf>

Charter School Responsibility:
Protect Health and Safety of Students

- Authority to provide care: GS 115C-375.1
Medical Care to Students by School Personnel
- Law allows school staff to give medical care within areas described
- Allows staff to refuse
- Provides limited protection from liability

Current Health Law and Charter Schools

Students with Diabetes – Required by Law

- GS 115C-47, Senate Bill 911
 - Senate Bill 738
- Ensures that guidelines adopted by the SBE are implemented in schools in which students with diabetes are enrolled.
Report on compliance **annually by June 1st.**

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Required components for schools with diabetic students:

- Generalized diabetic training for school staff
- Two intensively trained school staff for specific students with diabetes
- Written plan for diabetic student care

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Immunizations – Required by Law

- ALL North Carolina children must be compliant with immunization law.
- Charter schools verify and report on that compliance **by November 1st of each year.**
- Principal/headmaster is required to exclude students **not in compliance by the 30th calendar day** after start of school.

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Immunizations

Resources for schools and for families

- <http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/resourcesforschools.htm>

- New requirements for this school year effective July 1, 2015

Have a staff person responsible for verifying immunizations and reporting.

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Kindergarten Health Assessment – Required by Law (Will change for next school year: HB 13)

- Required with enrollment in kindergarten.
- Compliance reported with immunization compliance **by November 1st of each year.**
- Forms can be downloaded at <http://ncdhhs.gov/dph/wch/families/kindergartenhealth.htm>

§ 115C-375.2A. School supply of epinephrine auto-injectors.

Required by state statute:

- Provides for the undiagnosed person experiencing an anaphylactic reaction.
- Passed within the appropriations bill last summer and effective 11/1/2014.

Epinephrine Autoinjectors

- Directs local boards of education, charter schools and regional schools.
- Applicable during the school day and at school-sponsored events on school property. School property does not include transportation to or from school.
- Requires a minimum of two epinephrine auto-injectors in an unlocked and easily accessible location.

Epinephrine Autoinjectors

- Requires specific training by statute identified individuals.
- Specifies planning and response steps.
- Specifies who can write prescriptions.

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Required by Statute:

- Occupational Health and Safety Act (OSHA)

Requirements may be downloaded from

http://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/Directive_pdf/CPL_2-2_69.pdf

- Garrett's Law Notifications

Statute requires that you provide annual notification regarding vaccines for meningitis, flu and HPV.

Resources for this available at Immunization Branch

<http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/resourcesforschools.htm>

Other Health Recommendations

You will have students on medication and need to have a system in place to protect yourself and the student.

- Medication administration
- Policy and procedure
- Treat all medications the same
- Discourage routine medications at school

Other Health Recommendations

Don't make assumptions - ask


- Student Emergency Contact Card

Update this information every year


- Have written policies and procedures that are board approved.

Share them with parents/guardians

- NC DPI and DPH updates, law changes, reminders: Office of Charter Schools



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