

SCHOOL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR NC CHARTER SCHOOLS

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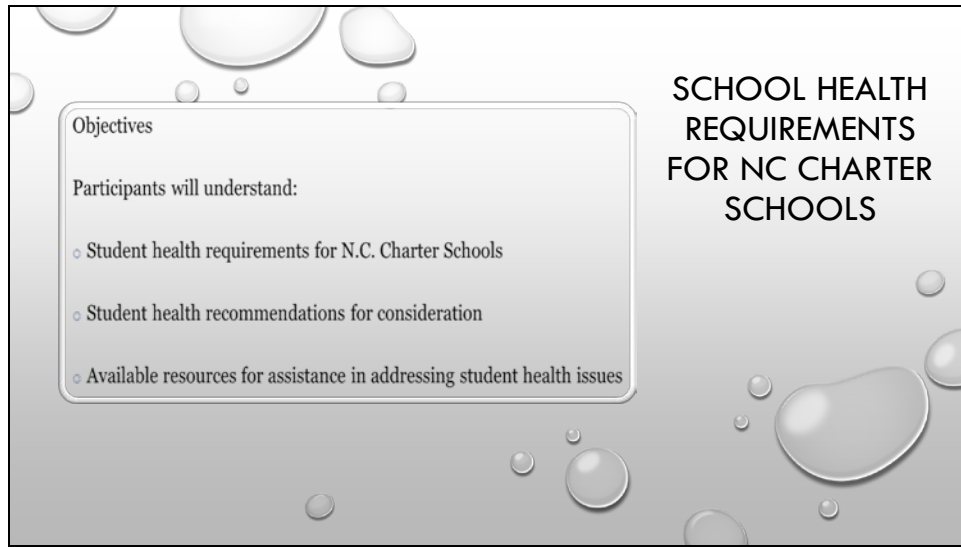
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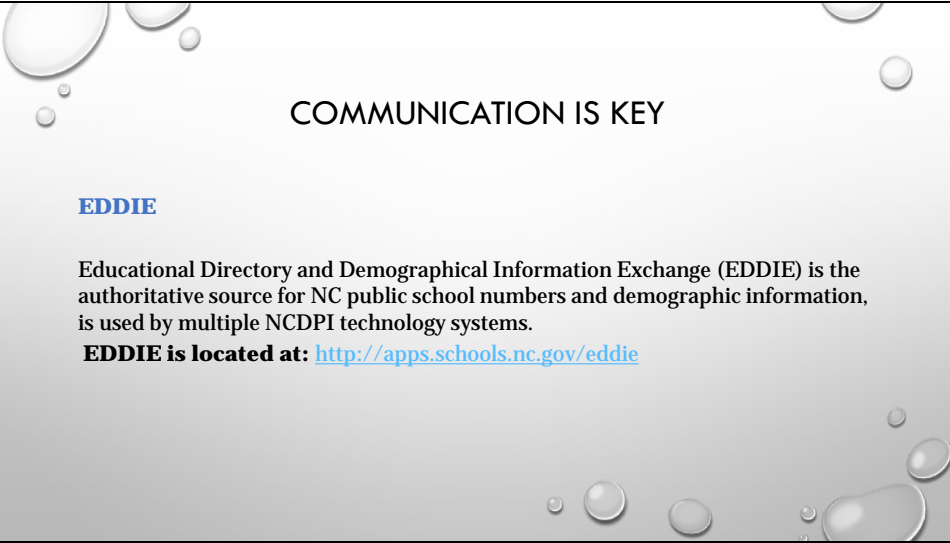


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Objectives

Participants will understand:

- Student health requirements for N.C. Charter Schools
- Student health recommendations for consideration
- Available resources for assistance in addressing student health issues

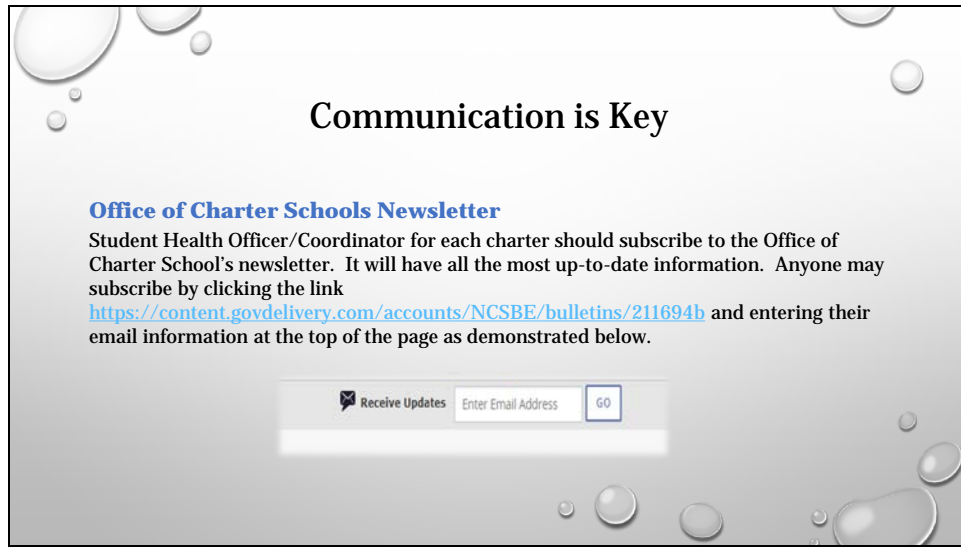


COMMUNICATION IS KEY

EDDIE

Educational Directory and Demographical Information Exchange (EDDIE) is the authoritative source for NC public school numbers and demographic information, is used by multiple NCDPI technology systems.

EDDIE is located at: <http://apps.schools.nc.gov/eddie>



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Office of Charter Schools Newsletter

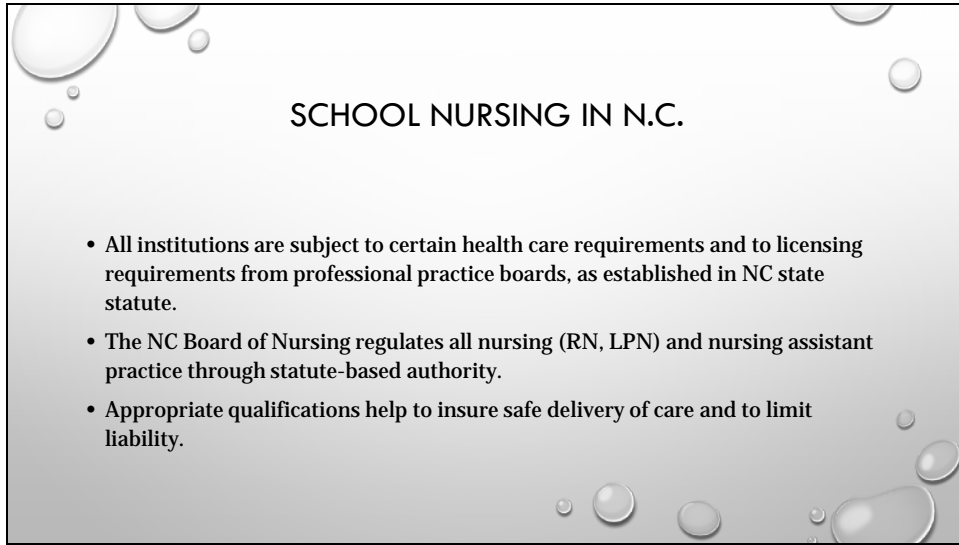
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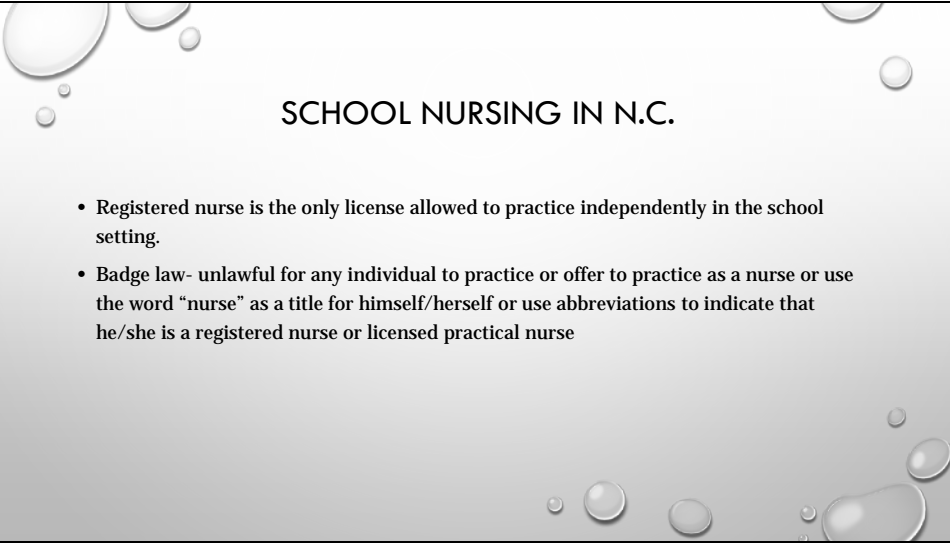
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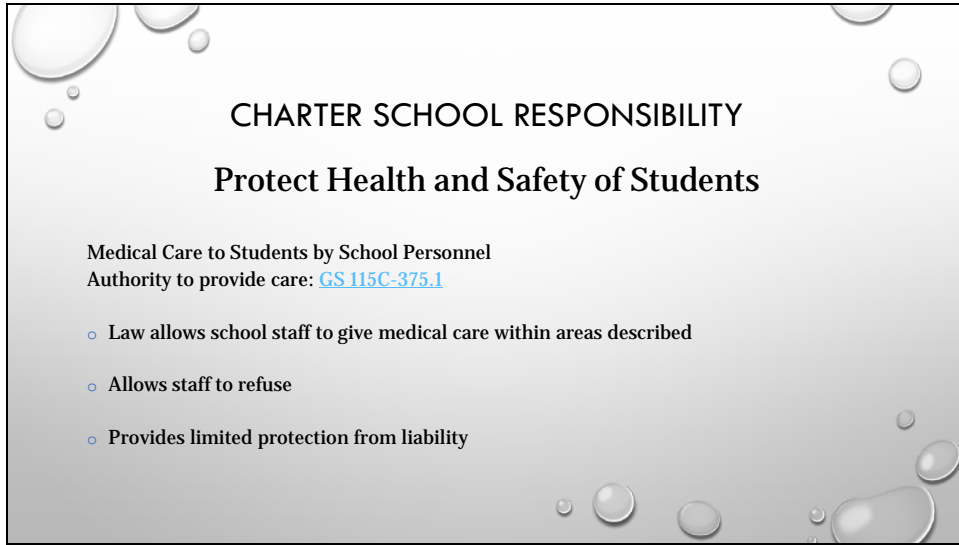
SCHOOL NURSING IN N.C.

- All institutions are subject to certain health care requirements and to licensing requirements from professional practice boards, as established in NC state statute.
- The NC Board of Nursing regulates all nursing (RN, LPN) and nursing assistant practice through statute-based authority.
- Appropriate qualifications help to insure safe delivery of care and to limit liability.



SCHOOL NURSING IN N.C.

- Registered nurse is the only license allowed to practice independently in the school setting.
- Badge law- unlawful for any individual to practice or offer to practice as a nurse or use the word “nurse” as a title for himself/herself or use abbreviations to indicate that he/she is a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse

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CHARTER SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITY

Protect Health and Safety of Students

Medical Care to Students by School Personnel
Authority to provide care: [GS 115C-375.1](#)

- Law allows school staff to give medical care within areas described
- Allows staff to refuse
- Provides limited protection from liability

SCHOOL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Students with Diabetes – Required by Law

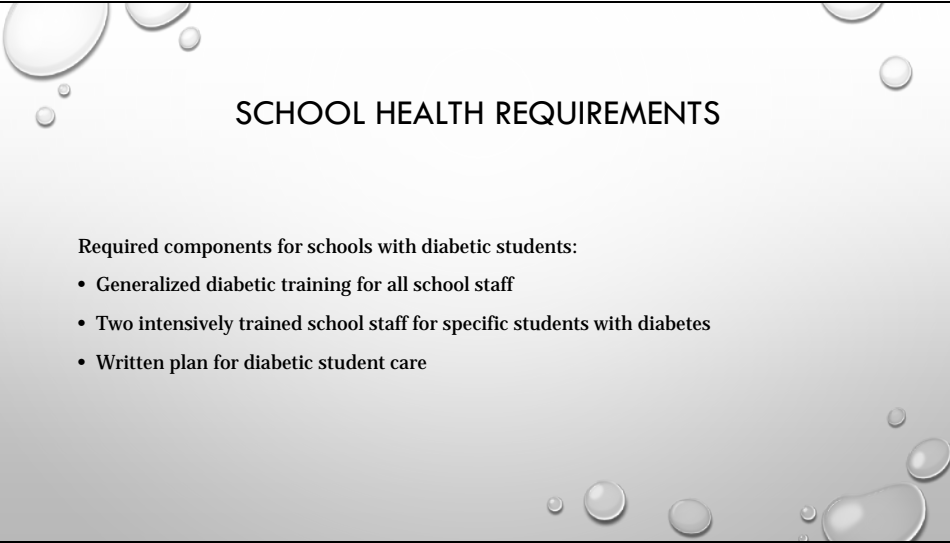
- **GS 115C-375.3**
 - **Senate Bill 911**
 - **Senate Bill 738**

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.**

- **GS 115C-375.3**

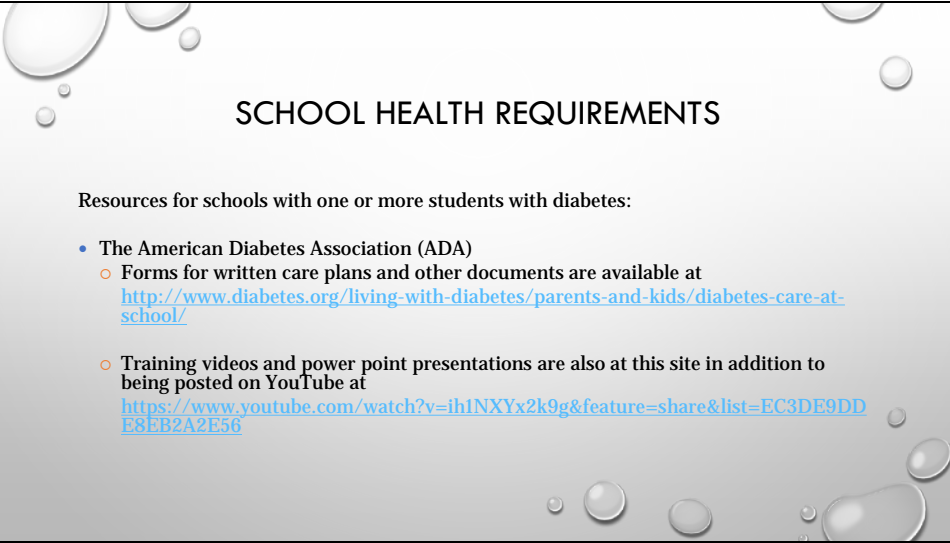
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Required components for schools with diabetic students:

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



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Resources for schools with one or more students with diabetes:

- The American Diabetes Association (ADA)
 - Forms for written care plans and other documents are available at <http://www.diabetes.org/living-with-diabetes/parents-and-kids/diabetes-care-at-school/>
 - Training videos and power point presentations are also at this site in addition to being posted on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ih1NXYx2k9g&feature=share&list=EC3DE9DDF8EB2A2E56>

SCHOOL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

School Supply of Epinephrine Auto-Injectors [GS 115C-375.2A](#)

- Provides for the **undiagnosed** person experiencing an anaphylactic reaction.
- 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
- Requires specific training by statute identified individuals.
- Specifies planning and response steps.
- Specifies who can write prescriptions.

SCHOOL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Return to Learn After Concussion-SHLT-001:

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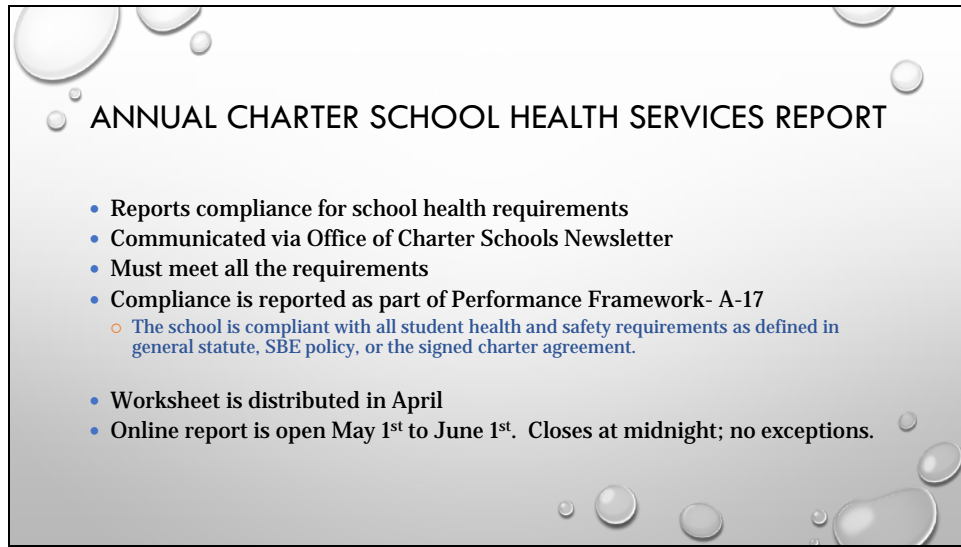
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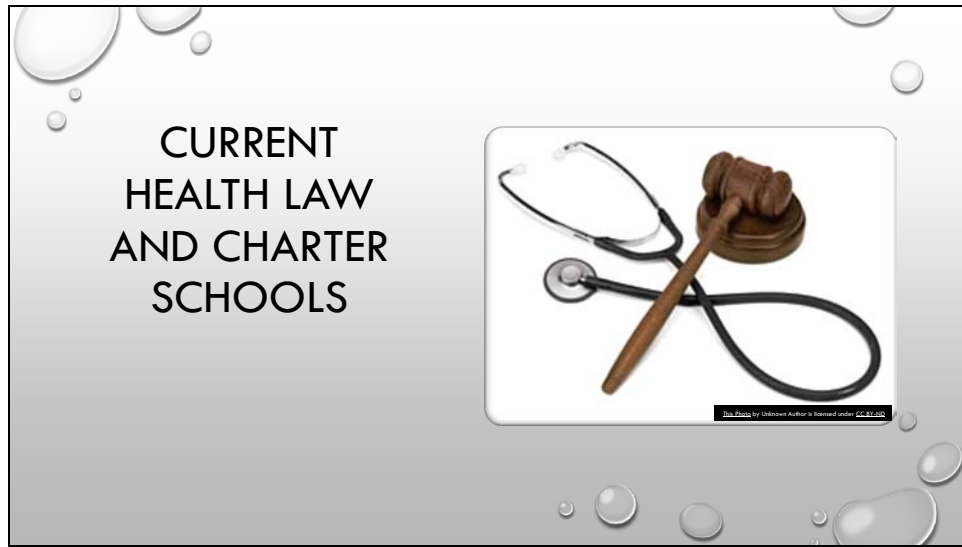
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ANNUAL CHARTER SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES REPORT

- Reports compliance for school health requirements
- Communicated via Office of Charter Schools Newsletter
- Must meet all the requirements
- Compliance is reported as part of Performance Framework- A-17
 - The school is compliant with all student health and safety requirements as defined in general statute, SBE policy, or the signed charter agreement.
- Worksheet is distributed in April
- Online report is open May 1st to June 1st. Closes at midnight; no exceptions.



CURRENT HEALTH LAW AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

Immunizations – Required by Law
[G.S. 130A-155\(c\)](#)

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New immunization requirement –August 1, 2020

- Meningococcal - A booster dose is required for individuals entering 12th grade or by 16 years of age, whichever comes first.

CURRENT HEALTH LAW AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

Health Assessment – Required by Law

G.S. 130A-440

Health Assessment required for all students new to NC public schools within 30 calendar days of a child's first day of attendance in the public schools

Principal/headmaster shall not permit the child to attend the school until the required health assessment transmittal form has been presented

- NOT allowed to impact student's academics

CURRENT HEALTH LAW AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

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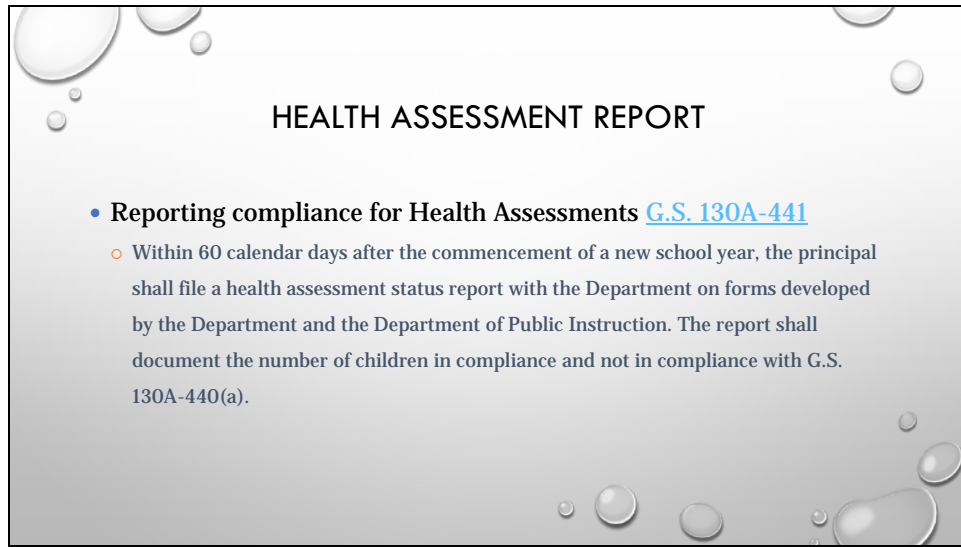
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CURRENT HEALTH LAW AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

Required by Statute: **Garrett's Law Notifications**

- o [G.S. 115C-17](#)
- o [§ 115C-218.75. General operating requirements](#) - information about **meningococcal meningitis and influenza** and their vaccines at the beginning of every school year. This information shall include the causes, symptoms, and how meningococcal meningitis and influenza are spread and the places where parents and guardians may obtain additional information and vaccinations for their children.
- o Grades 5 -12 - charter schools to provided information at the beginning of the school year to parents and guardians with information about **cervical cancer, cervical dysplasia, human papillomavirus**, and the vaccines available to prevent these diseases. This information shall include the causes and symptoms of these diseases, how they are transmitted, how they may be prevented by vaccination, including the benefits and possible side effects of vaccination, and the places parents and guardians may obtain additional information.

Resources for this available at Immunization Branch

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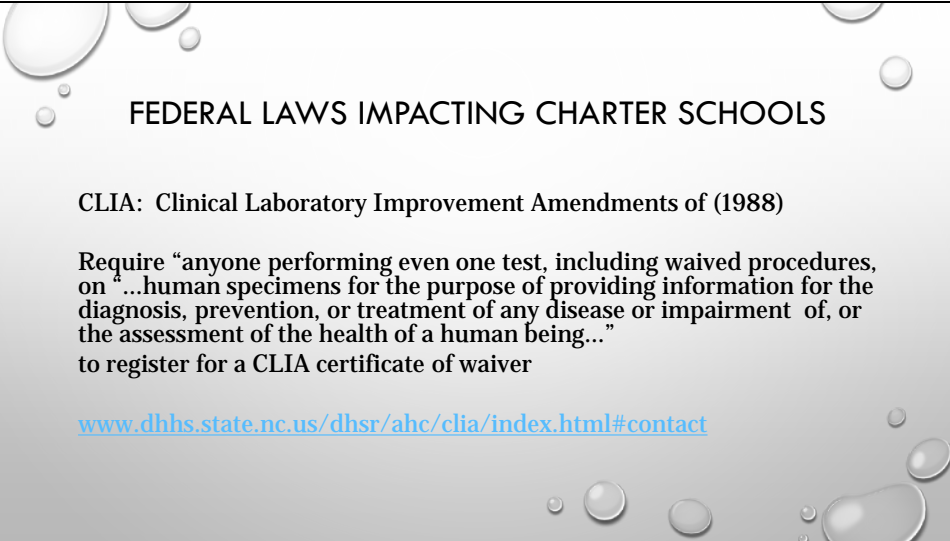
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FEDERAL LAWS IMPACTING CHARTER SCHOOLS

CLIA: Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of (1988)

Require “anyone performing even one test, including waived procedures, on “...human specimens for the purpose of providing information for the diagnosis, prevention, or treatment of any disease or impairment of, or the assessment of the health of a human being...”
to register for a CLIA certificate of waiver

www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dhsr/ahc/clia/index.html#contact

FEDERAL LAWS IMPACTING CHARTER SCHOOLS

Occupational Health and Safety Act (OSHA)

- Requirements may be downloaded from http://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/Directive_pdf/CPL_2-2_69.pdf
- [The Training Network](#)
 - NC Dept. of Labor Library free web-based training library
 - In order to access the streaming safety videos via subscription, you will need to submit a completed, signed library loan agreement which can be accessed from this page: <https://www.labor.nc.gov/documents/library-loan-agreement>

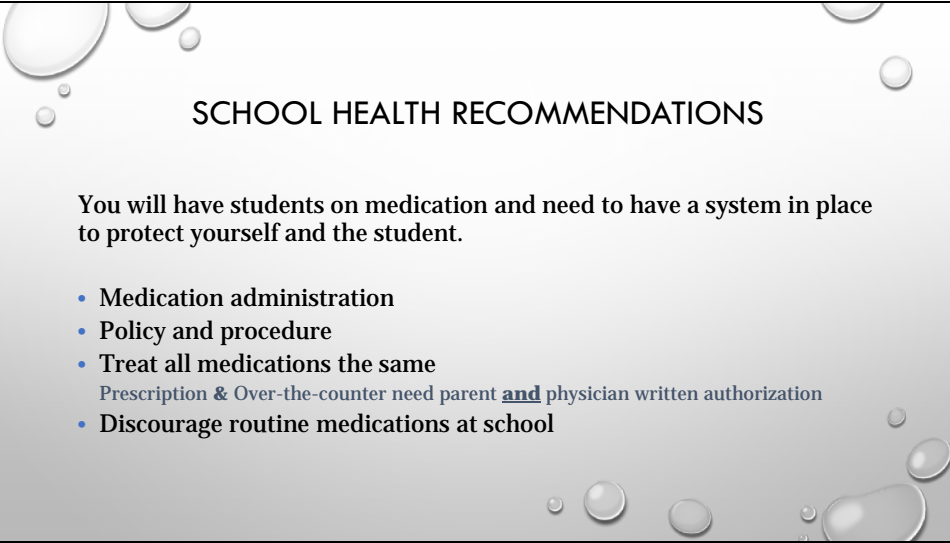
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SCHOOL HEALTH RECOMMENDATIONS

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
 - Prescription & Over-the-counter need parent **and** physician written authorization
- Discourage routine medications at school

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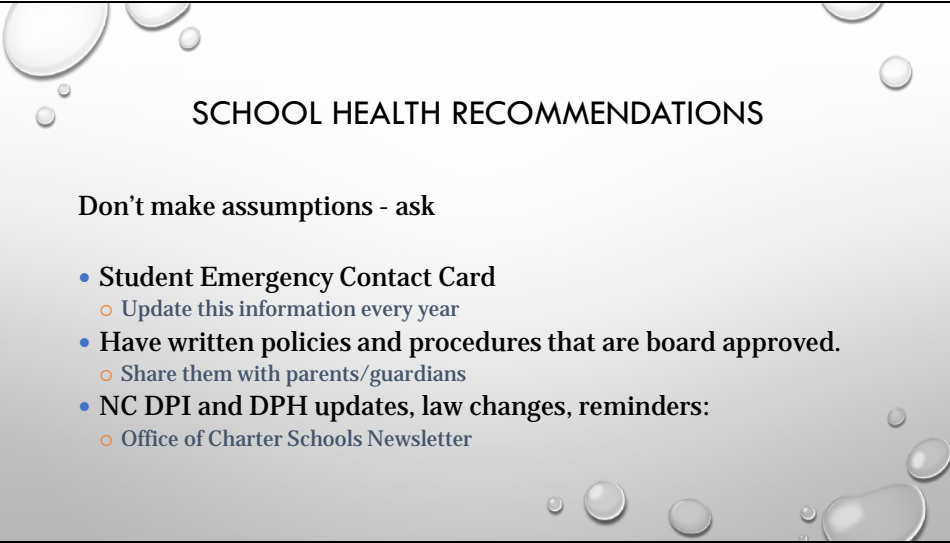
Other recommended policies include:

- Prevention and control of communicable disease
- Provision of emergency care, including injury reporting
- Screening, referral and follow-up
- Maintenance of student health records/electronic records
- Special health care services (State Board of Education Policy GCS-G-006)
- Process for identification of students with acute and chronic health care needs/conditions
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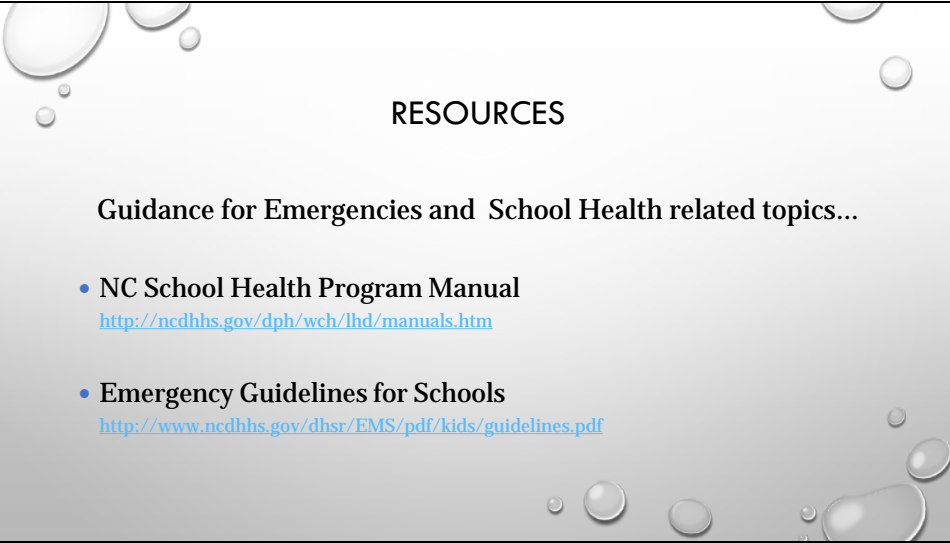
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Don't make assumptions - ask

- **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 Newsletter



RESOURCES

Guidance for Emergencies and School Health related topics...

- **NC School Health Program Manual**
<http://ncdhhs.gov/dph/wch/lhd/manuals.htm>
- **Emergency Guidelines for Schools**
<http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/EMS/pdf/kids/guidelines.pdf>