

LODI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Policy 5141.6

Students

School Health and Social Services

Because good physical and mental health is critical to students' ability to learn, the Board of Education believes that all students should have access to comprehensive health and social services. The district may provide access to health services at or near district schools through the establishment of a school health center and/or mobile van(s) that serve multiple campuses.

The Board shall collaborate with local and state agencies and health care providers in order to assess the health needs of students in district schools and the community. Based on this needs assessment and the availability of resources, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend for Board approval the types of health services to be provided by the district.

The Board may employ or contract with health care professionals or partner with community health centers to provide the services under the terms of a written contract or memorandum of understanding.

Board approval shall be required for any proposed use of district resources and facilities to support school health services. The Superintendent or designee shall identify funding opportunities available through grant programs, private foundations, and partnerships with local agencies and organizations.

The Board may prioritize school health services to schools with the greatest need, including schools with medically underserved populations, a high percentage of low-income and uninsured children and youth, large numbers of English learners, Academic Performance Index rankings in deciles 1-3, and/or a shortage of health professionals in the community.

School health services shall be provided or supervised by a licensed health care professional. The Board may employ or contract with health care professionals or partner with community health centers to provide the services under the terms of a written contract or memorandum of understanding.

If a school nurse is employed by the school or district, he/she shall be involved in planning and implementing the school health services as appropriate.

The Superintendent or designee shall coordinate the provision of school health services with other student wellness initiatives, including health education, programs that address nutrition and physical fitness, and other activities designed to create a healthy school environment. The Superintendent or designee shall encourage joint planning and regular communications among health services staff, district administrators, teachers, counselors, other staff, and parents/guardians.

Consent and Confidentiality

The Superintendent or designee shall obtain written parent/guardian consent prior to providing services to a student, except when the student is authorized to consent to the service pursuant to Family Code 6920-6929, Health and Safety Code 124260, or other applicable laws.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain the confidentiality of student health records in accordance with law.

Payment/Reimbursement for Services

The Board desires that costs not be a barrier to student access to services. Services may be provided free of charge or on a sliding scale in accordance with law.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for billing public and private insurance programs and other applicable programs for reimbursement of services as appropriate.

The district shall serve as a Medi-Cal provider to the extent feasible, comply with all related legal requirements, and seek reimbursement of costs to the extent allowed by law.

To further encourage student access to health care services, the Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement strategies to assist in outreach and enrollment of eligible students from low- to moderate-income families in affordable, comprehensive state or federal health coverage programs and local health initiatives. Such strategies may include, but not be limited to, providing information about the Medi-Cal program on the application for free and reduced-price meals in accordance with law and providing students and parents/guardians with information about the low-cost Healthy Families insurance program.

Program Evaluation

In order to continuously improve school health services, the Board shall evaluate the effectiveness of such services and the extent to which they continue to meet student needs.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board with periodic reports that may include, but not necessarily be limited to, rates of participation in school health services; changes in student outcomes such as school attendance or achievement; feedback from staff and participants regarding program accessibility and operations, including accessibility to low-income and linguistically and culturally diverse students and families; and program costs and revenues.

Legal References: EDUCATION CODE
8800-8807 Healthy Start support services for children
49073-49079 Privacy of student records
49423.5 Specialized physical health care services

49557.2-49558 Eligibility for free and reduced-price meals; sharing information with Medi-Cal
56340 Meetings to develop, review and revise individualized education programs

FAMILY CODE

6920-6929 Consent by minor for medical treatment

GOVERNMENT CODE

95020 Individualized family service plan

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

121020 HIV/AIDS testing and treatment; parental consent for minor under age 12

123110 Minor's right to access health records

123115 Limitation on parent/guardian access to minor's health records

123800-123995 California Children's Services Act

124025-124110 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program

124172-124174.6 Public School Health Center Support Program

130300-130317 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

14059.5 Definition of "medically necessary"

14100.2 Confidentiality of Medi-Cal information

14115 Medi-Cal claims process

14124.90 Third-party health coverage

14132.06 Covered benefits; health services provided by local educational agencies

14132.47 Administrative claiming process and targeted case management

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 10

2699.6500-2699.6905 Healthy Families Program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17

2951 Testing standards for hearing tests

6800-6874 Child Health and Disability Prevention Program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 22

51009 Confidentiality

51050-51192 Definitions of Medi-Cal providers and services

51200 Requirements for providers

51231.2 Wheelchair van requirements

51270 Local educational agency provider; conditions for participation

51304 Limitations on specified benefits

51309 Psychology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, audiological services

51323 Medical transportation services

51351 Targeted case management services

51360 Local educational agency; types of services

51491 Local educational agency eligibility for payment

51535.5 Reimbursement to local educational agency providers

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g Family Educational and Privacy Rights Act (FERPA)

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

1320c-9 Prohibition against disclosure of records

1397aa-1397jj State Children's Health Insurance Program

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 42

431.300 Use and disclosure of information on Medicaid applicants and recipients

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 45

164.500-164.534 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Expanding Access to School Health Services: Policy Considerations for Governing Boards, Policy Brief, November 2008

Promoting Oral Health for California's Student: New Role, New Opportunities for Schools, Policy Brief, November 2008

Providing School Health Services in California: Perceptions, Challenges and Needs of District Leadership Teams, 2008

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Health Framework for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve, 2003

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICE PUBLICATIONS

LEA Medi-Cal Provider Manual

California School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities Manual

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES POLICY LETTERS

00-06 Managed Care Plan Relationships with Local Education Agency Providers, December 11, 2000

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CARE PUBLICATIONS

A Guidebook for Evaluating School-Based Health Centers

NATIONAL CENTER FOR YOUTH LAW PUBLICATIONS

Minor Consent, Confidentiality, and Child Abuse Reporting in California, October 2006

Web Sites:

CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

CSBA, PractiCal Program:

<http://www.csba.org/Services/Services/DistrictServices/PractiCal.aspx>

California County Superintendents Educational Services Association:

<http://www.ccsesa.org>

California Department of Education, Health Services and School

Nursing: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn>

California Department of Health Care Services: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov>

California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>

California School Health Centers Association:

<http://www.schoolhealthcenters.org>

California School Nurses Organization: <http://www.csno.org>

Center for Health and Health Care in Schools:

<http://www.healthinschools.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, School Health Policies and Programs (SHPPS) Study: <http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/shpps>

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov>

Healthy Families Program: <http://www.healthyfamilies.ca.gov>

National Assembly on School-Based Health Care: <http://www.nasbhc.org>

National Center for Youth Law: <http://www.youthlaw.org>

Board Policy

- 1020 - Youth Services
- 3100 - Budget
- 3312 - Contracts
- 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program
- 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals
- 5030 - Physical Activity and Nutrition
- 5125 - Student Records
- 5131.6 - Controlled Substances, Alcohol, Intoxicants
- 5131.62 - Tobacco
- 5131.63 - Anabolic Steroids
- 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies
- 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions
- 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases
- 5141.23 - Infectious Disease Prevention
- 5141.24 - Specialized Health Care Services
- 5141.25 - Asthma
- 5141.3 - Health Examinations
- 5141.31 - Immunizations
- 5141.32 - Health Screening for School Entry
- 5141.33 - Head Lice
- 5141.4 - Child Abuse Reporting Procedures
- 5141.53 - Crisis Intervention
- 5143 - Insurance
- 6142.7 - Physical Education
- 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education
- 6145.2 - Athletic Competition
- 6159 - Individualized Education Program
- 6164.2 - Counseling/Guidance Services
- 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504
- 7000 - Facilities Master Plan

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