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**SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES
AND SCHOOL NURSES**

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The School Board recognizes that school nurses play a vital role in promoting student health, providing care, coordinating health services within the school community, and safeguarding student wellbeing. This policy, which is aligned with state laws, establishes guidelines for the qualifications, responsibilities, and operational procedures for school nursing staff, ensuring that all students have access to comprehensive health care and support. By fostering a healthy school environment, managing health-related activities, and collaborating with families and healthcare providers, school nurses play an essential part in enhancing student health outcomes and educational success.

General Health Services: The Board may appoint one or more school nurses to carry out appropriate school health-related activities.

School Nurse Qualifications and Responsibilities: A school nurse shall be a registered professional nurse licensed in New Hampshire and certified by the New Hampshire Department of Education. The Board may employ or contract with a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) or a Licensed Nursing Assistant (LNA) to work under the guidance and supervision of a school Registered Nurse (RN). As outlined in New Hampshire law, the school nurse is responsible for any delegation of health care tasks.

Injuries, Illnesses and Medications: Emergency medical care will be provided pursuant to Board Policy 4025 (JLCE).

Any pupil who is required to take prescribed medication during the school day will do so consistent with the provisions of Department of Education Rule 311.02 and Board Policy 4010 (JLCD).

Injuries and illnesses occurring during the school day are to be reported to the school nurse or the building principal. Accidents shall be reported in accordance with Board Policy 4025 (JLCE). Students attending school during extended day, night, or summer school programs, or any other time when the school nurse is not in the building, are to report all illnesses and injuries to the supervising adult. Students will not be allowed to leave school due to injury or illness without first notifying either the school nurse or principal as well as the student's parent/guardian or other person identified on the student's emergency contact form on file with the school.

NH Statutes

RSA 200:27

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RSA 200:29

[School Nurse](#)

RSA 200:31

[School Health Personnel](#)

RSA 326-B

[Nurse Practices Act](#)**NH Dept of Ed Regulation**N.H. Code of Admin. Rules, Section Ed
311**Description**[School Health Services](#)

NH Code of Admin. Rules, Ed 306.12

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