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## 5310 HEALTH SERVICES

The Board of Education shall develop and adopt the following written policies, procedures, and mechanisms in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.1(a) for the provision of health, safety, and medical emergency services, and **shall** ensure staff are informed as appropriate:

1. The review of immunization records for completeness pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:57-4.1 through 4.20 (Policy and Regulation 5320);
2. The administration of medication to **students** in the school setting in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.1(a)2. (Policy and Regulation 5330);
3. The review of Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) orders received from the **student's** parent or medical home (Policy 5332);
4. The provision of health services in emergency situations, including:
  - a. The emergency administration of epinephrine via **Epi-pen auto-injector** pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.5 (Policy and Regulation 5330);
  - b. **The emergency administration of glucagon pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.14 (Policy and Regulation 5338);**
  - c. The care of any **student** who becomes injured or ill while at school or **participating** in school-sponsored functions (Policy and Regulation 8441);
  - d. The transportation and supervision of any **student** determined to be in need of immediate **medical** care (Policy and Regulation 8441); and
  - e. The notification to parents of any **student** determined to be in need of immediate medical care (Policy and Regulation 8441).



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5. The treatment of asthma in the school setting in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.1(a)5 (Policy 5335);
6. The administration of **student** medical examinations, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-4, N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.8, and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2 (Policy and Regulation 5310);
7. **Utilization** of sanitation and hygiene when handling blood and bodily fluids pursuant to N.J.A.C. 12:100-4.2, **Safety and Health Standards for Public Employees**, and in compliance with **29 CFR 1910.1030, Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health Program (PEOSH) Bloodborne Pathogens Standards**;
8. Provision of nursing services to nonpublic schools located in the school district as required by N.J.S.A. 18A:40-23 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.5 (Policy and Regulation 5306);
9. **Self-administration of medication by a student for asthma or other potentially life-threatening allergic reaction** pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.3, 12.5, and 12.6, and the self-management and care of a student's diabetes as needed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.15;
10. **Development of an individual healthcare plan and individualized emergency healthcare plan for students with chronic medical conditions, including diabetes, asthma, and life-threatening allergies, requiring special health services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.11.c, 12.12, 12.13, and 12.15; and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.3(b)3xii; and**
11. **Management of food allergies in the school setting and the emergency administration of epinephrine to students for anaphylaxis** pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.6a through 12.6d.

The Board of Education shall annually adopt the school district's nursing services plan at a regular meeting.

The Board of Education shall comply with the following required health services as outlined in N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2:



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1. Immunization records shall be reviewed and updated annually pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:57-4.1 through **4.24**.
2. A Building Principal or designee shall not knowingly admit or retain in the school building any **student** whose parent has not submitted acceptable evidence of the child's immunization, according to the schedule specified in N.J.A.C. 8:57-4, Immunization of Pupils in School.
3. The school district shall perform tuberculosis tests on **students** using methods required by and when specifically directed to do so by the New Jersey Department of Health based upon the incidence of tuberculosis or reactor rates in specific communities or population groups pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-16.
4. The school district shall immediately report by **telephone to the health officer of the jurisdiction in which the school is located** any communicable diseases identified as reportable pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:57-1, whether confirmed or presumed.
5. Each school in the district shall have and maintain for the care of **students** at least one nebulizer in the office of the school nurse or a similar accessible location pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.7.
6. Each **student** medical examination shall be conducted at the medical home of the **student**. If a **student** does not have a medical home, the school district shall provide **the** examination at the school physician's office or other comparably equipped facility pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-4.
7. The findings of **the** medical examinations as required under 8. below shall include the following components:
  - a. Immunizations pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:57-4.1 through **4.24**;
  - b. Medical history, including allergies, past serious illnesses, injuries, operations, medications, and current health problems;
  - c. Health screenings including height, weight, hearing, blood pressure, and vision; and



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- d. Physical examinations.
8. The school district shall ensure that **students** receive medical examinations in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(f) and 6. above and:
    - a. Prior to participation on a school-sponsored interscholastic athletic team or intramural athletic team or squad for **students** enrolled in any grade six to twelve in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(h)1;
    - b. Upon enrollment in school in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(h)2;
    - c. When applying for working papers in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(h)3;
    - d. For the purposes of the comprehensive Child Study Team evaluation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.4 in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(h)4; and
    - e. When a **student** is suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or controlled dangerous substances, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40A-12 and N.J.A.C. 6A:16-4.3 in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(h)5.
  9. The Board of Education shall make accessible information regarding the New Jersey FamilyCare Program to **students** who are knowingly without medical coverage pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-34.
  10. Information concerning a **student's** HIV/AIDS status shall not be required as part of the medical examination or health history pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:5C-1 et seq.
  11. The **Board of Education** shall ensure that **students** receive health screenings as outlined in N.J.A.C. 6A:16-2.2(k).



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12. The **school nurse or designee** shall screen to ensure hearing aids worn by **students** who are deaf and/or hard of hearing are functioning properly. The **school nurse or designee** will ensure any FM hearing aid systems in classrooms or any school equipment in the school building used to assist **students** hear are functioning properly.

N.J.S.A. 18A:40-4 et seq.  
N.J.A.C. 6A:16-1.3; 6A:16-2.2 et seq.

Adopted:

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