

WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES
MEDICAL TREATMENT

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No employee shall give any student prescription medication, non-prescription medication, herbal substances, anabolic steroids, or dietary supplements of any type, except as authorized by this or other District policy.

**Medication Provided
by Parent**

The Superintendent shall designate the employees who are authorized to administer medication that has been provided by a student's parent. An authorized employee is permitted to administer the following medication in accordance with administrative regulations:

1. Prescription medication in accordance with legal requirements.
2. Nonprescription medication, upon a parent's written request, with a physician's order. Nonprescription medication must be properly and clearly labeled, include the manufacturer label, and be provided in the original container.
3. Herbal substances or dietary supplements provided by the parent and only if required by the individualized education program or Section 504 plan for a student with disabilities.

**Medication Provided
by District**

Except as required by law and provided by this policy, the District shall not purchase medication to administer to a student. Medications provided by the District include unassigned epinephrine, unassigned respiratory distress medications, and opioid antagonists.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative regulations addressing acquisition, maintenance, administration, and disposal of these medications in the District, as well as reporting, employee training, and emergency notification requirements. [See FFAC1(REGULATION)]

Epinephrine

This provision shall be applicable to each campus that serves students.

The District authorizes school personnel who have been adequately trained to administer epinephrine in accordance with law and this policy. Administration of epinephrine shall only be permitted when an authorized and trained individual reasonably believes a person is experiencing anaphylaxis. **Authorized and trained individuals may administer unassigned epinephrine on campus and while in transit to and from a school event.**

Each applicable campus shall have at least one individual who is authorized and trained to administer epinephrine present during all hours a campus is open. "All hours the campus is open" is defined as, at a minimum, during regular on-campus school hours, and

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	<p><u>when school personnel are physically on site for school-sponsored activities.</u></p> <p><u>The supply of unassigned epinephrine shall be stored in a secure location and shall be easily accessible by individuals who are authorized and trained to administer unassigned epinephrine. The supply of unassigned epinephrine while in transit to and from school events will be stored in the possession of the event coordinator.</u></p>
<p><u>Unassigned Respiratory Distress Medications</u></p>	<p><u>This provision shall be applicable to each campus that serves students.</u></p> <p><u>The District authorizes school personnel who have been adequately trained to administer unassigned respiratory distress medications in accordance with law and this policy. Administration of unassigned respiratory distress medications shall only be permitted when an authorized and trained individual reasonably believes a person is experiencing severe respiratory distress.</u></p> <p><u>Each applicable campus shall have at least one individual who is authorized and trained to administer unassigned respiratory distress medications present during regular school hours as defined by 25 Texas Administrative Code 40.42(5).</u></p>
<p><u>Coordinators for Respiratory Distress Medication</u></p>	<p><u>The Superintendent has designated the director, Health Systems and Compliance, as the district coordinator for respiratory distress medication, and the school nurse, if available, or other employee at each campus as the campus coordinator for respiratory distress medication. A detailed list of campus coordinators for respiratory distress medication is maintained in the Office of Health and Medical Services.</u></p> <p><u>The responsibilities of campus coordinators include checking the inventory of unassigned medication for respiratory distress monthly for expiration and replacement and documenting the findings. The district coordinator trains the campus coordinators for this and ensures the process is completed.</u></p>
<p><u>Trained and Authorized School Personnel</u></p>	<p><u>A list of trained and authorized school personnel available to administer unassigned medication for respiratory distress is maintained as indicated in FFAC1(REGULATION).</u></p>
<p><u>Campus Storage</u></p>	<p><u>The supply of unassigned medication for respiratory distress will be stored in the school health office. While in transit to and from school events, the supply of unassigned respiratory distress medication will be stored in the possession of the event coordinator.</u></p>

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Notification
Procedures

If an individual administers medication for respiratory distress to a student, the school will promptly notify the student's parent, guardian, or emergency contact of the administration.

If the student's parent or guardian has not notified the District that the student has been diagnosed with asthma, the school nurse will refer the student to the student's primary care provider on the day the medication for respiratory distress is administered and inform the student's parent or guardian regarding the referral. The referral must include the following:

- The symptoms of respiratory distress observed;
- The name of the medication for respiratory distress administered to the student; and
- Any patient care instructions given to the student.

If the student does not have a primary care provider, the school nurse will give the student's parent or guardian information to assist the parent or guardian in selecting a primary care provider for the student.

Within five business days after an individual has administered medication for respiratory distress, the individual will meet with the District coordinator for respiratory distress medication to document needed information for the DSHS electronic submission form.

Within 10 business days of the administration of medication for respiratory distress, the District coordinator for respiratory distress will notify the physician or other person who prescribed the medication for respiratory distress, the student's primary healthcare provider, and the commissioner of state health services and report the information required by law. The electronic submission of the *Required Reporting of Unassigned Administered Asthma Medication to DSHS* meets the requirement of reporting to the commissioner of state health services and may be used to notify other individuals as required by law.

Opioid Antagonist

This provision shall be applicable to each campus that serves students.

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The District authorizes school personnel who have been adequately trained to administer an opioid antagonist in accordance with law and this policy. Administration of an opioid antagonist shall only be permitted when an authorized and trained individual reasonably believes a person is experiencing an opioid-related [drug](#) overdose.

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Campus
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Each applicable campus shall have at least one individual who is authorized and trained to administer an opioid antagonist present during regular school hours.

Each applicable campus shall have at least two unused, unexpired opioid antagonist doses available to use at the campus during regular school hours.

All opioid antagonists shall be stored in a secure location and shall be easily accessible by individuals who are authorized and trained to administer an opioid antagonist.

~~The Superintendent shall develop administrative regulations addressing acquisition, maintenance, expiration, and disposal of opioid antagonists in the District, as well as reporting, employee training, and emergency notification requirements.~~

Psychotropics

Except as permitted by law, an employee shall not:

1. Recommend to a student or a parent that the student use a psychotropic drug;
2. Suggest a particular diagnosis; or
3. Exclude the student from a class or a school-related activity because of the parent's refusal to consent to psychiatric evaluation or examination or treatment of the student.

Medical Treatment

A student's parent, legal guardian, or other person having lawful control shall annually complete and sign a form that provides emergency information and addresses authorization regarding medical treatment. A student who has reached age 18 shall be permitted to complete this form.

The District shall seek appropriate emergency care for a student as required or deemed necessary and in accordance with the *Emergency Preparedness Handbook*.

Health Inventory

Each school shall have on file a health inventory of each student, which provides the history of the student's physical, mental, and emotional health up to the time of the student's enrollment in the District.