

entering school, as prescribed by rule. A blank summary report form will be provided to each chief administrative officer by the Bureau of Health.

6. Rules; requirements; reports. The Director of the Bureau of Health shall adopt rules necessary for the effective implementation of this subchapter, including, but not limited to, rules establishing immunization requirements and medical exceptions to receiving vaccines or toxoids for each disease, school record keeping and reporting requirements or guidelines and procedures for the exclusion of nonimmunized students from school.

Immunization requirements more stringent than the provisions of this subchapter may be adopted by a school board or by policy of a private school's governing board.

A student who is enrolled in a distance education program offered by a school and who does not physically attend any classes or programs at a school facility, including a campus, center or site of that school, or at a school facility, including a campus, center or site of any other school, is exempt from the provisions of this section.

SUBCHAPTER 3 SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

§ 6401. (Repealed)

§ 6401-A. School nurse consultant position

1. Establishment. The position of school nurse consultant is established within the department.

2. Qualifications. The school nurse consultant must be licensed as a registered professional nurse in the State and have a master's degree in nursing or a related field and experience in school health care or community nursing.

§ 6401-B. Duties

The school nurse consultant under section 6401-A shall provide statewide nursing leadership, consultation and direction for coordinated school health care programs. The school nurse consultant shall:

1. Liaison. Serve as a liaison and resource expert in school nursing and school health care program areas for local, regional, state and national school health care provider and policy-setting groups;

2. Information. Monitor, interpret, synthesize and disseminate relevant information related to school health care trends, school nursing practice, health-related policy changes, legal issues in school nursing and school health care program implementation and professional development;

3. Staff development. Foster and promote staff development for school nurses by planning and providing orientation, educational offerings and networking with universities and other providers of continuing education to meet identified needs; and

4. Standards. Gather and analyze data relevant to the school health care program and monitor standards to promote school nursing excellence and optimal health of school children.

§ 6402. (Repealed)

§ 6402-A. School health advisor

Each school board shall appoint one or more physicians or family or pediatric nurse practitioners to act as school health advisor.

1. Duties. The school health advisor shall advise the administrative unit on school health issues, policies and practices and may also perform any other health-related functions assigned by the board.

2. Other functions. A school health advisor may perform other medical and health-related duties assigned by the school board which may include all or some of the following:

A. Examine and diagnose students referred by teachers and other school employees to protect against the outbreak of contagious diseases in the schools;

B. Examine students for participation in physical education and athletic activities;

C. Advise and serve as medical consultant to the school nurse; or

D. Examine school employees and property if the school health advisor believes it is necessary to protect the health of students.

3. Prohibition. A school health advisor may not treat any student examined under this subchapter unless the school health advisor is also the student's personal health care provider. A school health advisor that advises a school board pursuant to subsection 1 or performs other functions under subsection 2 may not act outside the scope of practice of the physician or nurse practitioner who functions as a school health advisor as established by law or rule of the applicable licensing board.

4. Appointment. Appointment is on a yearly basis.

§ 6403. (Repealed)

§ 6403-A. School nurse

Each school board shall appoint at least one school nurse for the school administrative unit.

1. Duties. The school nurse shall supervise and coordinate the health services and health-related activities required by this Title.

2. Other functions. The school nurse shall also perform such other health-related activities as are assigned by the school board.

3. Appointment. To fulfill the role of school nurse, the school board shall appoint a registered professional nurse who meets any additional certification requirements established by the state board.

4. Special contract for services. The school board may provide school nurse services through special agreements with a public health agency. All nurses who serve as school nurses under those agreements shall be registered professional nurses who meet applicable certification requirements.

5. Guidelines. The commissioner shall issue guidelines on the provision of school health services and health-related activities.



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