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# Safe and Healthy Schools Community of Practice Call

July 25, 2024



## Safe and Healthy Schools Updates



#### **Special Transportation Training Opportunity**

#### Register for Child Passenger Safety on School Bus Training

- School systems may register 4 participants for a session.
- School systems are asked to send one transportation administrator, special education administration, occupational therapist and physical therapist.
- Sessions are limited to 20 registrants per session and will be closed when maximum capacity is reached.
- All sessions will be held from 8 a.m. 4 p.m.



#### **Ancillary Certification for Providers**

Individuals holding licensure by a Louisiana State licensing board (appropriate to the services provided as listed below) will be deemed as certified beginning June 1, 2024

- Social Worker
- Speech Pathologist
- Audiologist
- OT/COTA/ OT Provisional
- PT/PTA/PT Provisional
- Assistant Behavior Analyst
- Behavior Analyst



#### **HOT TOPICS IN SCHOOL NURSING**



#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Clarify RN vs. LPN Roles-Licensures
- Train the Trainer
- Medication Administration
- Field Trips
- CPR Requirements for Nurses
- Sickle Cell Disease Training Requirements



#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Emergency Action Plans-School Nurse's Role
- IEPs/IAPs-School Nurse's Role
- LSBN Practice Opinions





#### **The Registered Nurse**

- Referenced in state school law as the "School Nurse"
- Responsible for student assessments
- Responsible for delegation of care of special needs students
- Responsible for the training of school staff
- Can bill Medicaid





#### THE REGISTERED NURSE

- Responsible for the oversight and quality of care given by the LPN, the child specific paraprofessionals, and teachers caring for special needs students' healthcare needs.
- Responsible for the development, implementation, and updating of student health plans.
- Responsible for educating teachers, parents, and other school staff.

#### The Licensed Practical Nurse

The Louisiana State Board of Licensed **Practical Nurses states:** 

"A licensed practical nurse must practice under the direction of one of the following: licensed physician, optometrist, dentist, or registered nurse."





#### **The Licensed Practical Nurse**

- Must be supervised by a RN in the school setting
- Can follow the plan of care (IHP) developed by the RN for students
- Can administer medications
- Can triage and exclude the ill child and do hearing and vision screenings
- Can bill Medicaid





#### **Medication Administration**

- Daily Medications
- Medication routes (Oral/Injectable/Gastric Tubes)
- Emergency Medication Stock Supplies



#### **Train the Trainer**

- Offered for new school RNs
- Covers complex training such as care of students with tracheostomies and stable ventilators
- Once trained, can teach others within their school district





#### Field Trips

When field trips are being planned, teachers should give the school nurse at least two weeks notice of all students who will be attending.



#### **CPR for School Nurses**

All school nurses should take an approved CPR course and be recertified every 2 years.







#### **Sickle Cell Disease Training**

ACT 375 requires school nurses to be trained annually on Sickle Cell Disease.



#### **Emergency Action Plans**

The school nurse should be included in the development of any school's emergency action plan.







#### IEPs/IAPs

The RN should be included in the IEP and IAP meetings for students.

#### **Louisiana State Board of Nursing**

LSBN, when asked, will develop practice opinions to clarify the Registered Nurse's role in the school setting. Examples of practice opinions released are specific to emergency medications and gastric tubes.



**QUESTIONS?** 

#### Resources

- Louisiana Believes School Nurse Handbook
- Louisiana Registered Nurse Scope of Practice
- Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurses Scope of Practice
- **School Nurse Guidance**

### Safe and Healthy School Reminders



#### **Leading Healthy Schools**

#### SHAPE America

- Society of Health and Physical Educators has designed <u>Leading Healthy</u>
   <u>Schools</u>, a free professional development and coaching program
- For more information contact Kaitlyn Gaddis Thompson, at kgaddisthompson@shapeamerica.org



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- Office of Career and College Readiness
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## Next Safe & Healthy Schools Community of Practice:

Back to School

Community of Practice Call

August 22 at 2 p.m.



**Questions?**