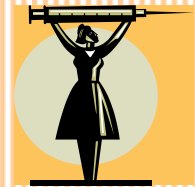




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Special Points of Interest:

- *Medication Administration Regulations*
- *School Nurse Supervisor Conference*
- *New School Nurse Workshop*

Medication Administration Regulations

The regulations for the **Administration of Medications by School Personnel and Administration of Medication During Before- and After-School Programs and School Readiness Programs** were approved by the Regulations Review Committee on September 28, 2010.

The revised regulations will become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State, which will occur within 14 days of formal notification of approval.

A copy of the regulations will be forwarded to all school nurse supervisors, medical advisors and district leaders when they become effective. Technical assistance and scheduled workshops will also be provided to school districts regarding changes in the regulations.

Additional information will be provided at the School Nurse Supervisor Conference on November 15, 2010.

The Bureau Bulletin

(Connecticut State Department of Education - Special Education Department publication)

The latest edition of the **Bureau Bulletin** has been posted to the Connecticut State Department of Education Web site at http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/lib/sde/PDF/DEPS/Special/Updates/BureauBulletin_Summer2010.pdf.

Information about timely special education topics at the Federal, State and Bureau levels, calendar announcements, special trainings, informational articles, as well as important updates and resources for the field, are contained in this publication. Please be sure to take advantage of this resource.

If you are unable to access the Bureau Bulletin, please contact Jay Brown at jay.brown@ct.gov or 860-713-6918 for assistance.

School Nursing

"School nursing is a specialized practice of professional nursing that advances the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievement of students. To that end, school nurses facilitate positive student responses to normal development; promote health and safety; intervene with actual and potential health problems; provide case management services; and actively collaborate with others to build student and family capacity for adaptation, self-management, self-advocacy and learning."

Adopted by the National Association of School Nurses, June 1999



2010 Professional Development Opportunities

School Nurse Supervisor Conference

Save the Date!

Date: November 15, 2010
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location: Crowne Plaza Hartford-Cromwell
Fee: \$30.00
CEUs: 0.6
***Registration information will be forthcoming**

This activity will provide school nurse supervisors with information on multiple state initiatives, trends in the state and legislative updates. Additionally, school nurse supervisors will have the opportunity to network with colleagues.

New School Nurse Workshop Parts 1 & 2

Save the date!

Dates: December 7 and 14, 2010
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location: The Rensselaer at Hartford, Connecticut
Fee: \$30.00 for both days
CEUs: 1.2 (*Attendance at both sessions is mandatory.*)
***Registration information will be forthcoming**

This workshop will provide an overview of state laws and regulations regarding school health. The program will also address standards of practice for school nurses, competencies, and supervisory issues. Finally, the program will present an overview of the school nurse's role in student achievement, special education and Section 504.

Nurse Cadre Schedule of Presentations

The Cadre is a select group of school nurse leaders from local school districts, regional educational service centers, local health departments, and state agencies. As trained facilitators, they are committed to providing quality professional development to promote student health and academic achievement. Please contact the facilitators listed below if you are interested in attending any of the following free professional development opportunities.

Self Injurious Behaviors

Date: 10/13/10
 Time: 3:45 to 5:45 p.m.
 District: Fairfield
 Facilitator: Yvonne Pacifico at 203-256-3150

Competencies in School Nurse Practice

Date: 10/21/10
 Time: 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.
 District: Stonington
 Facilitator: Gloria DeBiasi at 860-599-0673 or gmurraydebiasi@stoningtonschools.org

Section 504

Date: 11/2/10
 Time: 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.
 District: Torrington
 Facilitator: Regina Radikas at 860-489-2286 or rradikas@torrington.org

Section 504

Date: 11/2/10
 Time: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
 District: Bristol
 Facilitator: Catherine Plourde at CatherinePlourde@ci.bristol.ct.us

HIPAA/FERPA

Date: 12/8/10
 Time: 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
 District: ACES
 Facilitator: Mike Corjulo at mcorjulo@aces.org

2010 Professional Development Opportunities, Cont'd

What School Nurses need to know about Diabetes Management

This workshop will provide school nurses with information to guide their practice when working with students with diabetes, their health care team, nutritionist, school staff, and parents in order to provide optimal diabetes management in the school environment. School nurses will have an opportunity to discuss the nursing care and management of nutritional needs of students with diabetes in the school environment.

Date: October 27, 2010

Time: 12 to 3:30 p.m. (Lunch will be provided)

Location: American Heart Association, 5 Brookside Drive, Wallingford, Connecticut

Registration: Contact Harriet Dennis at harriet.dennis@ct.gov

Questions: Contact Cindy Kozak at 860-509-7737 or cindy.kozak@ct.gov



Limit 50 registrants!

The Connecticut Inhalant Task Force Presents:

Inhalants: Nothing To Sniff At

Inhalants can kill without warning the very first time they are used! For too many adults inhalants are just not on the radar, despite the fact that an increasing number of middle school-age youth, and grammar school-age youth, are experimenting with these ordinary household products. Inhalant abuse continues to be a matter of concern in CT. Members of the Connecticut Inhalant Task Force will discuss the Task Force's current efforts in the State and outline its current technical assistance programs that are available to schools and communities.

Participants will learn:

- inhalants 101- who, what, where and why;
- assessment and referral overview for treatment;
- special considerations needed for prevention education; and
- resources and tools that you will need.

Date: October 26, 2010

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Location: 5 Brookside Drive, Wallingford, CT

Registration: E-mail your name, title and organization to ctinhalantinfo@aol.com or call 203-294-3591

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