

ADMINISTERING MEDICINES TO STUDENTS

Medication may only be administered to students under the supervision of the school nurse with written parental/guardian consent. Prescription medications additionally require a written order by a licensed prescriber. Medications must be provided in a pharmacy labeled container.

The school district shall, through the School Nurse Leader, register with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and train personnel in the use of Epi-pens and Medication Delegation.

The school district may, in conjunction with the School Physician and the School Nurse Leader, stock nasal naloxone (Narcan) and trained medical personnel and first responders may administer nasal naloxone to individuals experiencing a life threatening opiate overdose in a school setting.

Following consultation with the school nurse, students who fall into the following exceptions may self-administer medications:

1. Students with asthma or other respiratory diseases may possess and administer prescription inhalers.
2. Students with cystic fibrosis may possess and administer prescription enzyme supplements.
3. Students with diabetes may possess and administer glucose monitoring tests and insulin delivery systems.
4. Students with allergies may possess and administer Epi-pens.

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