



STUDENT HEALTH –COMMON MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Context

The public education system in B.C. is open to all students no matter what their health or medical condition. The School Act clearly states this is Section 2 (1) and (2) and in 88(1) https://www.bclaws.gov.bc.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96412_02#section2
Examples of common conditions include anaphylaxis, asthma, diabetes and epilepsy.

Policy Statement

The board will seek to support students with common medical conditions to fully access school in a safe, accepting, and healthy learning environment that supports their well-being.

Guidelines

The Board is committed to the following:

1. Empowering students to reach their full potential for self-management of their medical condition(s), according to their Plan of Care.
2. Supporting parents/guardians to feel confident that their child is safe at school and has the same opportunities as other students.
3. Creating a collaborative approach with the student, parent(s)/guardian(s), principal, school staff and health care professionals, to ensure a full understanding of the common medical conditions, supports, clarity of roles and communication associated with the student's Plan of Care.
4. Establishing clear procedures and protocols in place to support students with common medical conditions and to guide a timely and effective response should medical intervention be required.
5. Ensuring that appropriate staff are familiar with the common medical conditions as outlined in the Plan of Care and are trained and confident in prevention. strategies to minimize risks, recognize the symptoms of a medical emergency and know the steps to follow in dealing with a medical emergency.
6. Plans of Care are created in collaboration with health care professionals and parents or legal guardians.

References:

- [British Columbia Anaphylactic and Child Safety Framework](#)
- [Anaphylaxis Protection Order](#)
- [The School Act](#)

Dates of Adoption/Amendments:

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