



CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BRITAIN

NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT

Board Policy statement regarding: Distribution of Contraceptive Devices

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In a continuing effort to reduce the risk of sexually transmitted infections and to reduce the rate of teenage pregnancy in our community, it is the policy of the Consolidated District of New Britain that the School Based Health Clinic and the offices of the School Nurse at the High School will be allowed to make condoms available upon student request. Students will also be provided information on the proper storage and use of condoms.

As it is the goal of this policy to combat the risks of sexually transmitted infections and reduce the rate of teenage pregnancy and promote student health, this policy supports referral of individual students to appropriate staff and community resources when a student actively seeks out information related to their reproductive health.

Parents and guardians of students grades 9 through 12 will be notified of condom availability in school at the beginning of each year, or at any such time that a student enrolls in grades 9 through 12. Parents and guardians will have the opportunity to deny permission (opt-out) for access to condoms for their student(s) through the offices of the School Nurse, however, all students who have signed up for services at the School Based Health Clinic at New Britain High School shall be given access to condoms.