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2015-16 School Health Services Program Information Survey and Concussion Reporting

Deadline: June 15, 2016

Public Act No. 14-66, *An Act Concerning Youth Athletics and Concussions* requires that for the school year commencing July 1, 2014, and annually thereafter, the State Board of Education shall require all local and regional school districts to collect and report all occurrences of concussions to the board.

In response to this new reporting requirement, **the CSDE has incorporated concussion questions into the existing CSDE Survey** that is completed annually by school nurses and school nurse supervisors throughout the state since 2004. While the full completion of the Survey is not mandatory, the concussion questions are mandatory and must be completed by **all local and regional school districts** in order to comply with the concussion reporting requirements of Public Act No. 14-66.

All information needed to complete the Survey is located on the EDUCATION CONNECTION Web site at <http://www.educationconnection.org/school-services/center-for-program-research-evaluation-cpre/state-department-of-education-health-services-survey/>.

2015 -16 ED 513 Report - Reimbursement of Health Services for Children in Nonprofit Private Schools

Deadline: June 15, 2016

Section 10-217a of the Connecticut General Statutes requires each town or regional school district that provides health services to children attending its public schools, in Kindergarten through Grade 12, to provide the same services to children in those grades who attend nonprofit private schools within their jurisdiction, when a majority of children in those nonprofit private schools are Connecticut residents. In order to administer the grant program, which funds the health services in these nonprofit private schools, the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) has determined that information is needed regarding the health services that participating towns or regional school districts provide to their public school children.

Form ED513, which serves as the blueprint for each town or regional school district that delivers health services to children attending its eligible nonprofit private schools, **must now be completed online by the local or regional school district of each participating town.** Please note the following:

- Access the CSDE's data collection Web site at <https://www.csde.state.ct.us> and complete the 2015-16, information for the ED513 report for your district by **June 15, 2016**; and
- Follow the instructions for the security pop-up windows until reaching the Web page that lists the various Department data collection options. Click on "ED513 Health Services Plan - Current and Prior Years."

Questions regarding the Web site may be referred to Bhuvana (Bonne) Pathman, in the Bureau of Grants Management at 860-713-6458 or bonne.pathman@ct.gov. If you have questions regarding the eligibility of a particular health service, please feel free to contact me at 860-807-2108 or stephanie.knutson@ct.gov.

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Report of Epinephrine Administration Form

The School Health Services Information Survey has been updated for the 2015-16 school year and captures data on epinephrine administration in schools.

Please discontinue completion of the Epinephrine Administration Form (see below).

Thank you school nurses for another successful school year.!

**Connecticut
Statewide School Health Services Report
Report of Epinephrine* Administration**

*Please mail or fax form to: Stephanie Knutson, Connecticut State Department of Education, 25 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, CT 06457
Fax number: (860) 807-2127*

School District: _____ Name of school: _____ Public Non Public

Student/Staff DOB: _____ Gender: M F Ethnicity: Spanish/Hispanic/Latino: Yes No

Race: American Indian/Alaskan Native African American Asian Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander White

Diagnosis/history of asthma: Yes No History of anaphylaxis: Yes No Previous Epinephrine use: Yes No

Incident:

Date/Time of occurrence: _____ Known allergen(s): _____

Trigger that precipitated this allergic episode: _____

Symptoms: _____

Location of individual when symptoms developed: _____

Location of individual when epinephrine administered: _____

Location of epinephrine storage: _____

Epinephrine administered by: RN Other If other, please specify: _____

If other than an RN, was this person formally trained? Yes No Date of training: _____

If Epinephrine was self-administered by an individual at school or a school-sponsored function, did the individual follow school protocols to notify school personnel and activate EMS? Yes No NA

Approximate time between onset of symptoms and administration of Epinephrine: _____

Was Epinephrine administered under a patient specific order for a particular student? Yes No

Does school district have non-patient specific standing orders/protocols in place for Anaphylaxis? Yes No

Individual Health Care Plan (IHCP) in place? Yes No School Physician notified? Yes No

Written school district policy on management of life-threatening allergies in place? Yes No

Disposition:

Transferred to ER: Yes No Discharged after _____ hours. Biphasic reaction: Yes No Unknown

Hospitalized: Yes No Discharged after _____ days.

Outcome:

Recommendations for changes/improvements to current policy or procedures: _____ Debriefing meeting? Yes No

Form completed by: _____ Date: _____
(please print)

Title: _____ Phone number: _____

Address: _____

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Green Cleaning Information for School Administrators, Staff and Parents

Public Act No. 09-81 (partial text)
AN ACT CONCERNING GREEN CLEANING PRODUCTS IN SCHOOLS.

On or before July 1, 2011, each local and regional board of education shall implement a green cleaning program for the cleaning and maintenance of school buildings and facilities in its district. No person shall use a cleaning product inside a school unless such cleaning product meets guidelines or environmental standards set by a national or international environmental certification program approved by the Department of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Environmental Protection. Such cleaning product shall, to the maximum extent possible, minimize the potential harmful impact on human health and the environment.

On or before October 1, 2010, each local and regional board of education shall provide the staff of each school and, upon request, the parents and guardians of each child enrolled in each school with a written statement of the school district's green cleaning program. Each local or regional board of education shall make such notice, as well as the report submitted to the Department of Education pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-220 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, available on its web site and the web site of each school under such board's jurisdiction.

No parent, guardian, teacher or staff member may bring into the school facility any consumer product which is intended to clean, deodorize, sanitize or disinfect.

For more information on green cleaning, visit the following Web sites:

- Wastebusters Green Cleaning Myths Video - <http://www.depdata.ct.gov/video/mainpsa.asp?url=http://www.u10videos.com/DEP/Waste/WastebustersGreenCleaning.wmv&name=Wastebusters>
- Connecticut School Green Cleaning Products Law - <http://www.cga.ct.gov/2009/ACT/Pa/pdf/2009PA-00081-R00HB-06496-PA.pdf>
- Connecticut Department of Public Health - <http://www.ct.gov/dph/ieq>
- Connecticut Department of Public Health "Healthy School Environments" web page - www.ct.gov/dph/schools
- INFORM Cleaning for Health - <http://informinc.org>
- Connecticut Foundation for Environmentally Safe Schools - <http://www.pollutionfreeschools.org>
- Best Cleaning Practices Guidance for Infection Control - http://www.ct.gov/ctfluwatch/lib/ctfluwatch/h1n1/72209/cleaning_schools.pdf

For additional information, contact:

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Environmental & Occupational Health Assessment Program
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