



California School Nurses Organization

Position Statement

CONTRACTED LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS IN THE SCHOOL SETTING

STATEMENT

The California School Nurses Organization asserts Credentialed School Nurses are the qualified supervisors of health care provided to students provided by the contracted licensed healthcare providers. The Credentialed School Nurse has the responsibility to provide assistance to the school district and school administration to develop and implement written guidelines and standards for the licensed contracted healthcare providers in the school setting. Guidelines should include:

- Orientation to district policies and the educational environment
- Verification of physician's authorization for Specialized Physical Health Care Procedures
- Verification of licensure and liability
- Verification of assignment and training by the contracting agency
- Verification of competency of the contracted licensed health care provider
- Development of the Individualized School Health Plan (ISHP) incorporating the agency's nursing care plan
- Monitoring of daily treatment logs and nursing notes completed by the provider staff/contracted provider
- A release of information form signed by the parent/guardian to share information between contractor and district

RATIONALE

The Credentialed School Nurse, as the primary health care professional in the school setting, has a legal and professional responsibility to maintain a healthy educational environment for students. In order to provide for continuity of comprehensive school health services, the Credentialed School Nurse should coordinate the specialized physical health care services for medically fragile students and maintain supervision and communication with the licensed contracted health care provider.

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