

A photograph of a golf course. In the foreground, there is a green grassy area. In the middle ground, there is a sand trap. In the background, there are several trees with green foliage. The sky is bright and overexposed. The text is overlaid on the image in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

**You must make the choice to
take the chance for anything
in life to ever change**

Outcomes

The learner will identify issues in schools with legal reminders, new legislation changes, and understand and utilize the importance of data.

“Every Student Counts”



HIPAA and FERPA

- HIPAA does not apply to schools
 - Except with Staff
- Once medical information is given to a school nurse, it becomes an educational record and is protected by FERPA, not HIPAA



SPED and 504 Referral

- District personnel (including school nurses!) have a duty to refer a student when there is a suspicion that the student is disabled and in need of services.
 - Examples:
 - School is provided with a psychological assessment conducted outside school.
 - School has knowledge of student's need for medication and school troubles.
 - Student needs homebound services because of a disability.
 - Poor attendance caused by a suspected disability that affects educational performance.



Field Trips

- Cannot make parent attend for the student to attend
- Child still has a right to school nurse services (as noted in health plan, 504, or IEP)
- School must provide them
- Parent can volunteer, but if parent backs out at last minute, school must provide nursing services
- All education related activities, mandatory activities, extra-curricular



School Buses

- Children are entitled to school nurse services, as defined in their IEP, health plan, or 504 plan, on the school bus



Immunizations

- Arkansas Code 6-18-702
- Kids must be immunized to be admitted to public school from poliomyelitis, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, MMR, and anything else required by State Board of Health
- Exceptions: Religious, philosophical, or medical exemption granted by the Department of Health
- Act 676 of 2019 added reporting requirements for schools



What Can Nurses Do?

- Make sure you're making appropriate referrals
- Know what you can and cannot do with your license
- Make sure IEP/504 Team has all important information even if you are not part of the team
- Keep good records and communicate with parents



Legislation 2019



Commissioner's Memo

LS-19-099



School Nurse Survey



• 1801 Coordinated School Health	1.8 Million over 5 years
• Arkansas AWARE	9 Million over 5 years
• Nature's Wonder Innovation Grant	25 Thousand this year
• School Nurse Mental Health Forum	
• Criminal Justice Institute Collaboration	100 Thousand this year
• State Opioid Response(SOR) Narcan Training	
• Stop the Bleed	750 Thousand last year
• School Nurse Academy	150 Thousand this year
• Changed Lives of Arkansas Students	Priceless



School Nurse Data 2018-2019

Health Alerts

44,934	ADHD
37,701	Asthma
1,672	Diabetes (Type I and II)
3,934	Seizures
11,453	Life-Threatening Allergies



16,166 Students receive a long-term prescription at school

7,681 Students receive a short-term prescription at school

Students currently receiving mental health services

27,755 On Campus

6,107 Off Campus



Impact on education when having a nurse

2,314,275	Return to class
198,295	Sent to Home
39,883	Sent to Health Care Provider
1,004	Requiring 911
10,151	Sent to SBHC



Number of minor injuries and illnesses-receiving First Aid
1,487,457

Students with injuries followed-up with 911/HCP
18,892

Head

Eye

Fracture

Strain/Sprain

Dental

Psychiatric

Heat Related

Anaphylaxis

Sudden Cardiac Arrest



Impact of Teen Pregnancy

920 pregnant

157 homebound services provided

62 dropped out permanently from school

81 with a high risk condition in pregnancy

302 referred for STD symptoms



Impact on education

151,202 visits/care to other school personnel provided by a school nurse



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NATIONAL SCHOOL HEALTH DATA SET:
EVERY STUDENT COUNTS!



New Data Point:

Number of Students Chronically Absent:

Students missing at least 10% or more of school year including excused and unexcused absences



Questions?



“Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much.”

-Helen Keller



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