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Students who are required to take medication during school hours must provide the building administrator with a written parental/legal guardian request accompanied by written authorization by a licensed physician. Such written consent shall be on file with the school authorities. Medication is to be brought to the school health office in its original labeled container. Unless the student is properly designated, in accordance with State Education Department Guidelines, as being able to self-administer their own medication, students are to use the approved medication under direct supervision of an appropriate staff member.

Procedures for taking medications off school grounds or after school hours while participating in a school-sponsored activity will be in accordance with State Education Department Guidelines.

Self Carry and Self Administration of Medication in Schools

BOCES permits students who have both written provider orders, and provider attestation and parent or legal guardian consent to self-carry and self-administer inhaled respiratory rescue medication, epinephrine device, and insulin, glucagon and related diabetes supplies (Education Law Article 19 §916, §916-a, §916-b effective July 1, 2015), said documents to be maintained in the health office.

Students who self-administer medication without proper authorization, under any circumstances, will be referred for counseling by school nursing personnel. Additionally, school administration and parents/legal guardians will be notified of such unauthorized use of medication by the student, and school administration may also be involved in determining the proper resolution of such student behavior.

Sunscreen

A student or an adult staff member, if directed to do so by the student, may apply sunscreen with written consent from the parent/legal guardian. Students who cannot self-apply or direct an adult to do so require a healthcare provider order, written parent/legal guardian consent, and application of sunscreen by a licensed health professional.

Alcohol Based Hand Sanitizer

Alcohol based hand sanitizer is permitted for use in BOCES by the medical director without patient specific orders.

Insect Repellant

Personal use insect repellant is not a medication it is a pesticide. Parents/legal guardians should have their child wear appropriate clothing for the activity to minimize the need for insect repellant and/or to apply at home before sending their child to school.

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Policy References:
Refer also to Policy #6420 -- Accidents/First Aid Treatment.

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