

Student Immunization and Life-Threatening Health Conditions

Immunizations

In order to safeguard students in direct service programs operated in ESD facilities from the spread of certain communicable diseases, and in recognition that prevention is a means of combating the spread of disease, the Board directs the Superintendent to require students to present evidence of having been immunized against diseases as required by applicable state law.

ESD 112 shall allow for exemptions from immunization requirements only as allowed by law.

Life-Threatening Health Conditions

A life-threatening health condition means a condition that will put a student in danger of death during the program hours of operation if a medication or treatment order providing authority to a registered nurse, and nursing plan are not in place.

Prior to attendance in an ESD 112 program, the Superintendent shall require each student with a life-threatening health condition to present a medication and/or treatment order from a Licensed Healthcare Provider (LHP) addressing the condition.

Following submission of the medication and/or treatment order, the registered nurse will develop the nursing care plan.

Students who have a life-threatening health condition who have not presented a medication and/or treatment order to the program, or who are enrolling in an early child and education program that cannot accommodate the student, will be excluded, to the extent excluding the student does not violate federal requirements for students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or applicable due process requirements.

The Board directs the Superintendent to develop procedures to implement this policy.

Legal References:

Chapter 28A.210 RCW Health — Screening and requirements
Chapter 246-105 WAC Immunization of child care and school children against certain vaccine-preventable diseases
WAC 392-182 Student — Health records
WAC 392-380 Public school pupils — Immunization requirement and life-threatening health condition

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