



222. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND IMMUNIZATION

<p>SC 1303a Title 22 Sec. 11.20 Title 28 Sec. 23.83, 23.84</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)</li><li>• 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) [if five years have elapsed since last tetanus immunization.</li></ul> <p>A student shall be exempt from immunization requirements whose parent/guardian objects in writing to such immunization on religious grounds or whose physician certifies that the student's physical condition contraindicates immunization.</p>
<p>SC 1303a</p>	<p>Monitoring of immunization requirements shall be the responsibility of the Principal and the head nurse.</p> <p>The Principal shall:</p> <p>Annually review state standards for immunization and direct accordingly the responsible charter school personnel.</p>
<p>SC 1303a Title 28 Sec. 23.83, 23.84, 23.85 Pol. 201</p>	<p>Ensure that parents/guardians are informed prior to a student's admission to school of the requirements for immunization, the requisite proof of immunization, exemption available for religious or medical reasons, and means by which such exemptions may be claimed.</p> <p>Investigate and recommend to the Board programs of immunization that may be warranted by circumstances and the health of the school community. Any such program is subject to Board approval and may be conducted in cooperation with local health agencies.</p>
<p>Title 28 Sec. 23.86</p>	<p>The Principal shall report immunization date on the required for the the Department of Health by October 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.</p>
<p>Title 28 Sec. 27.71, 27.72 Pol. 204</p>	<p><u>Communicable Diseases</u></p> <p>The Board authorizes that students who have been diagnosed by a physician of are suspected of having a disease by the school nurse or designee shall be excluded from school for the period indicated by regulation of the Department of Health for certain specified diseases and infectious conditions.</p>
<p>Title 28 Sec. 27.1, 27.2, 27.23</p>	<p>The school nurse or designee shall report the presence of suspected communicable diseases to the appropriate local health authority, as required by the Department of Health.</p> <p>The Principal shall direct that health guidelines and universal precautions designed to minimize the transmission of communicable diseases be implemented in the charter school.</p>

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<p>Title 22 Sec. 4.29</p>	<p>Instruction regarding prevention of communicable and life threatening diseases shall be provided by the school in the education program for all levels, in accordance with state regulations.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec 4.4, 4.29 Pol. 105.1</p>	<p>Parents/Guardians shall be informed of and be provided by opportunities during school hours to review all curriculum materials used in instruction relative to communicable and life threatening diseases.</p>
<p>SC 1402 Pol. 209</p>	<p><u>Health Records</u></p> <p>A comprehensive health record shall be maintained for each student enrolled in the charter school. The record shall include the results of required tests, measurements, screenings, and regular and special examinations.</p>
<p>SC 1409</p>	<p>All health records shall be confidential, and their contents shall be divulged only when necessary for the health of the student or to a physician at the written request of the parent/guardian.</p> <p>As part of the health record, a certificate of immunization shall be maintained for each student enrolled, as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.</p> <p>The charter school shall require parents/guardians to annually complete a medical history report form that includes information regarding known communicable diseases.</p>
	<p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1303a, 1402, 1409, Article XVII – A</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations- 22 PA Code Sec. 4.4, 4.29, 11.20</p> <p>State Department of Health Regulations – 28 PA Code Sec. 23.81 et seq, 27.1, 27.2, 27.23, 27.71, 27.72, 27.77</p> <p>Board Policy – 105.1, 105.2, 200, 204, 209</p>