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If a student requires blood glucose testing or insulin injections during the school day, the following policy applies.

Students may self-administer blood glucose testing and diabetes medication. In practicing selfadministration, students are required to practice universal precautions for the disposal of waste.

Parents are responsible for notifying the school nurse/administrator of the student's diabetes management plan and sign medical releases as necessary. The school nurse will be responsible for supervising the student's diabetes management plan, monitoring hypoglycemic and hyperglycemic reactions, and documenting the medical care provided.

If the student practices his/her diabetes management plan outside of the health room, the school administrator and school nurse will review the plan and with the parents determine the amount of supervision based on relevant considerations, including, but not limited to, the age and maturity of the child, the ability to self-administer, understanding and practice of universal precautions, and adherence to diabetes management plan.

If the student does self-administer, the parent or guardian, student, and the school nurse must complete and sign a plan for independent diabetes management, documenting how the nurse, student, and parent will continue to work together.

Note: All students may self-administer.

UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS

Universal precautions for the disposal of waste will be posted in the health room and students and staff are required to comply with the guidelines. Any accidental pricks or punctures must be reported and appropriate medical response accessed.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Idaho Code Sections 33-506(1) 33-512(4)

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