

# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 12.1h

Meeting Date: October 6, 2022

## Subject: Approve Revision of Board Policy (BP 5141.21) Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions

Information Item Only Approval on Consent Agenda Conference (for discussion only) Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Conference/Action Action Public Hearing

**Division:** Student Support & Health Services

Recommendation: Approve revision to Board Policy 5141.21

**Background/Rationale:** SCUSD is in the process of adding another life-saving rescue medication to all our school sites, with the provision of Naloxone (NARCAN) nasal spray. It is important to know that all our school sites have a number of emergency and rescue measures at their disposal, including an automated external defibrillator machine (AED) to restart heart rhythms, epinephrine auto-injectors in the case of a severe allergic reaction, and now Naloxone nasal spray in the event of a suspected opioid overdose. Sacramento County has experienced over a hundred deaths due to opioid overdose, and this year the rates of death continue to increase. As individuals cope with the multiple traumas brought on or exacerbated by the Covid pandemic, substance use in general has increased. While SCUSD will take every action to educate our students about the dangers of substance use, we are also taking proactive measures to protect lives. Updates also include reference to parental administration of medical cannabis. The updates include language in the CSBA Gamut model policy.

## Financial Considerations: None

**LCAP Goal(s):** College, Career and Life Ready Graduates; Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students; Family and Community Empowerment; and Operational Excellence

## **Documents Attached:**

1. BP 5142.21 (Redlines)

2. BP 5142.21 (Clean)

Estimated Time of Presentation: N/A

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Approved by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

#### Policy 5141.21: Administering Medication And Monitoring Health Conditions Status: ADOPTED

**Original Adopted Date:** 11/01/2011 | **Last Revised Date:** 12/01/2019 | **Last Reviewed Date:** 12/01/2019

The Governing Board recognizes that students may need to take prescribed medication during the school day in order to be able to attend school without jeopardizing their health.

When the district has received written statements from the student's physician and parent/guardian, designated personnel shall assist the student in taking the medication. In addition, upon written request, designated personnel may assist the student in monitoring, testing or other treatment of an existing medical condition. (Education Code 49423)

(cf. 3530 - Risk Management/Insurance)

(cf. 5141.24 - Specialized Health Care Services)

Upon written request by the parent/guardian and with the approval of the student's physician, a student with an existing medical condition that requires frequent monitoring, testing or treatment may be allowed to self administer this service. The student shall observe universal precautions in the handling of blood and bodily fluids.

(cf. 5141.23 - Infectious Disease Prevention)

**Anaphylactic Injections** 

The Board recognizes that some students have allergies of such severity that they may require an emergency injection to prevent anaphylacsis during the course of the school day. Parents/guardians who are aware of this foreseeable need may ask the district to administer such injections in accordance with administrative regulations.

School staff who may be required to administer injections to prevent anaphylacsis shall receive training from qualified medical personnel. They will be authorized to administer the injections in accordance with administrative regulations and will be afforded appropriate liability protection.

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

The Governing Board believes that regular school attendance is critical to student learning and that students who need to take medication prescribed or ordered for them by their authorized health care providers should be able to participate in the educational program.

Any medication prescribed for a student with a disability who is qualified to receive services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 shall be administered in accordance with the student's individualized education program or Section 504 services plan, as applicable.

For the administration of medication to other students during school or school-related activities, the Superintendent or designee shall develop protocols which shall include options for allowing parents/guardians to administer medication to their child at school, designate other individuals to do so on

their behalf, and, with the student's authorized health care provider's approval, request the district's permission for the student to self-administer a medication or self-monitor and/or self-test for a medical condition. Such processes shall be implemented in a manner that preserves campus security, minimizes instructional interruptions, and promotes student safety and privacy.

The Superintendent or designee shall make epinephrine auto-injectors available at each school for providing emergency medical aid to any person suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from an anaphylactic reaction. (Education Code 49414)

The Superintendent or designee shall make naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist available for emergency medical aid to any person suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from an opioid overdose. (Education Code 49414.3)

**OPTION 1:**—The parent/guardian of a student who is a qualified patient pursuant to Health and Safety Code 11362.7-11362.85 may administer medicinal cannabis, excluding medicinal cannabis or cannabis products in a smokeable or vapeable form, to the student at a school site. School personnel are not authorized to administer medicinal cannabis to a student. (Education Code 49414.1)

The decision to allow administration of medical cannabis must be made by either a 504 Team or IEP team, in consultation with the District's Health Services Department. In addition, the student's parent/guardian must sign a waiver stating they are aware of and voluntarily assume all risks associated with the administration of medical cannabis.

Before administering medicinal cannabis at a school site, the parent/guardian shall provide to the principal or designee a valid written medical recommendation for the student to be given medicinal cannabis, which shall be kept on file at the school. The parent/guardian shall sign in at the school site before administering the medication, and shall not administer the medication in a manner that disrupts the educational environment or exposes other students. After the parent/guardian administers the medication, the parent/guardian shall remove any remaining medicinal cannabis from the school site. (Education Code 49414.1)

Student who ingest medicinal cannabis at a school site in compliance with this Board Policy shall not be suspended or recommended for expulsion for being under the influence of medicinal cannabis. (Education Code 48900)

OPTION 2: Because of the conflict between state and federal law regarding the legality of medicinal cannabis, the Board prohibits the administration of medicinal cannabis to students on school grounds by parents/guardians or school personnel.

### END OF OPTION 2

The Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with city and county emergency responders, including local public health administrators, to design procedures or measures for addressing an emergency such as a public disaster or epidemic.

### Administration of Medication by School Personnel

When allowed by law, medication prescribed to a student by an authorized health care provider may be administered by a school nurse or, when a school nurse or other medically licensed person is unavailable and the physician has authorized administration of medication by unlicensed personnel for a particular student, by other designated school personnel with appropriate training. School nurses and other designated school personnel shall administer medications to students in accordance with law, Board policy, administrative regulation, and, as applicable, the written statement provided by the student's parent/guardian and authorized health care provider. Such personnel shall be afforded appropriate liability protection.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that school personnel designated to administer any medication

receive appropriate training and, as necessary, retraining from qualified medical personnel before any medication is administered. At a minimum, the training shall cover how and when such medication should be administered, the recognition of symptoms and treatment, emergency follow-up procedures, and the proper documentation and storage of medication. Such trained, unlicensed designated school personnel shall be supervised by, and provided with immediate communication access to, a school nurse, physician, or other appropriate individual.

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain documentation of the training and ongoing supervision, as well as annual written verification of competency of other designated school personnel.

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Bus. Code 2700-2837	Nursing
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Bus. Code 4119.2	Acquisition of epinephrine auto-injectors
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Ed. Code 49414.3	Emergency medical assistance; administration of medication for opioid overdose
Ed. Code 49414.5	Providing school personnel with voluntary emergency training
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H&S Code 11362.7-11362.85	Medicinal cannabis
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Management Resources	Description

American Diabetes Association Publication	Glucagon Training Standards for School Personnel: Providing Emergency Medical Assistance to Pupils with Diabetes, May 2006
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## **Cross References**

<b>Code</b> 3513.4	Description Drug And Alcohol Free Schools
4119.43	Universal Precautions
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4131	Staff Development
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5022	Student And Family Privacy Rights
5022	Student And Family Privacy Rights
5113	Absences And Excuses
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5113.1	Chronic Absence And Truancy
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5125	Student Records

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5131.62	Tobacco
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5141	Health Care And Emergencies
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5141.22	Infectious Diseases
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5141.23	Asthma Management
5141.23	Asthma Management
5141.24	Specialized Health Care Services
5141.27	Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs
5141.27	Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs
5141.6	School Health Services
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5145.6	Parental Notifications
5145.6-E PDF(1)	Parental Notifications
5148.2	Before/After School Programs
5148.2	Before/After School Programs
6142.8	Comprehensive Health Education
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6145.2	Athletic Competition
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