

Diabetes



Students attending the Pickerington Local School District who have Diabetes Melitus require special attention while at school. The following are guidelines for the care of a student with Diabetes.

The role of the School Nurse:

- to collaborate with school personnel, medical professionals, and family members in order to develop appropriate management procedures.
- to utilize the information provided to plan and implement interventions and to provide diabetes related education and training to appropriate staff members.
- to complete an individualized Health Care Plan (IHP) and or Emergency Care Plan for each diabetic student. Copies of these plans should be located in the school clinic. The plan contains guidelines for treatment of potential complications such as hyperglycemia and hypoglycemia, signs and symptoms commonly experienced by the individual and detailed instructions for care in the event of an emergency.
- to evaluate the effectiveness of the plan throughout the school year and implements revisions as necessary.
- to provide for the safety of students, by educating and training school staff to assist with routine and emergency diabetic care whenever necessary.
- to facilitate the development of the student's self-care skills so they will be able to achieve independent Diabetes management

Parent's Responsibility:

- to return the required district medical forms to the School Nurse. The forms must be completed and signed by the health care provider directly involved in the management of the student's diabetes care.
- to provide all diabetic supplies and snacks to be utilized during the school year.
- to work collaboratively with school staff to insure optimal health and safe care for your child

Student's Responsibility:

- will demonstrate age-appropriate responsibility for self-care while at school.
- will be or work towards independence in performing their own diabetes care, such as blood glucose testing and insulin injection, is strongly encouraged. Assistance with these tasks may be provided by the School Nurse, Health Care Assistant or other trained non-medical staff on an as needed basis depending on the student's age, level of independence and maturity, health care provider's order's, etc.
- will test blood sugar and perform insulin injections in the school clinic unless the health care provider specifically requests an alternative site.
- Will dispose of all sharps, such as lancets and needles, in the provided biohazard containers.

Attachment

Diabetes Medical Management Plan for School

Web Links

American Diabetes Association