

## **Students**

### **Health Screenings**

The Waterford Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee to work with the School Medical Advisor in an effort to develop and implement regulations regarding vision, hearing, scoliosis and pediculosis screenings. These regulations include assertive procedures which will allow the early detection of health problems.

### **Screenings**

Vision, hearing and scoliosis screening shall meet state law requirements and regulation as to the definition, standards, frequency, implementation, environment, equipment, referral and personnel qualifications. The school nurse/designee is responsible for conducting these screenings and recording results in the health record.

Students failing these screenings will be referred for professional examination and parent/guardian will be notified. Screenings will be performed at any time at parent or professional request.

Pediculosis screenings shall be conducted by the school nurse/designee to identify, prevent and minimize the spread of head lice. This process will be initiated only after the presence of head lice has been confirmed. Confidentiality is maintained regarding the name(s) of students who are known to have head lice.

The detailed protocol and procedure for all screenings shall be outlined in the Board Regulations. These regulations shall be submitted to the School Medical Adviser and to the Superintendent/or designee each September for review.

(cf. 5141.3 – Health Assessments and Immunizations)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-204 Vaccination

10-204a Required immunizations

10-204c Immunity from liability

10-205 Appointment of school medical adviser

10-206 Health assessments (as amended by June Special Session PA 01-4 and PA 01-9)

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Legal Reference: (continued)

10-207 Duties of medical advisers

10-206a Free health assessments (as amended by June Special Session PA 01-1)

10-208 Exemption from examination or treatment

10-208a Physical activity of student restricted; board to honor notice

10-209 School nurses

10-212 School nurses

10-214 Vision, audiometric and postural screenings. When required. Notification of parents re defects; record of results, as amended by PA 96-229, An Act Concerning Scoliosis Screening.

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