

WOODLAND HILL MONTESSORI SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM

INTERNAL MEDICATION IN SCHOOL

There are circumstances when, under specific regulations, a medication prescribed by a private physician may be administered to a pupil during school hours. **Medications should only be given at school if it is prescribed for a time that cannot be given at home.** This is a program adjustment to meet the health needs of an individual pupil.

One of the basic concerns about which decision must be made is whether the child in question is actually able to attend school. The child's status will need to be reviewed to ascertain that their physical or emotional condition is such that they can take advantage of education opportunities.

Certain facts must be established about the medication. It should be determined that the frequency of dosage demands that it be given during the hours when the child is in school. If it is medication, which can be administered once or twice a day, it is usually possible for the parents to take the responsibility. If it is a medication, which must be given at extremely frequent intervals, it is not reasonable to expect that it can be handled efficiently in the school. If the medication is given only as necessary, rather than at a specified time, it imposes a number of serious problems, including, that of the need for a professional decision as to necessity.

MEDICATION MAY BE ADMINISTERED ONLY IF IT IS ACCOMPANIED BY:

- 1. The written order of your physician specifying diagnosis, medication, (possible side effects), dosage, frequency, and the time element for administering this medication.
- 2. The written request of the parent, requesting that school personnel administer the medication as ordered.
- 3. The family must provide the medication in a bottle, tube or container that clearly indicates date, name of child and physician, name of medication, dosage, and frequency.
- 4. Medication must be brought in by parent or designated adult.

PERMISSION FORM ON BACK

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AUTHORIZATION TO ADMINISTER INTERNAL MEDICATION BY SCHOOL PERSONNEL

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH PARTS

A. FOR PARENT ______request that the school nurse, or other authorized personnel, administer to _____ the medication prescribed by _____ Name of Physician Date Signed Parent/Guardian Signature **B. FOR PHYSICIAN** This is to certify that ______ Student Name is being attended and treated by me. It is essential that they be given the following medication in the dose indicated during the school hours for treatment of ______. Name of medication (or other identification)_____ Dosage Schedule_ Possible side effects _____ Length of time to be given: _____ Indefinitely or until _____

It is the parent's responsibility to see that the school receives this authorization

Student may self-carry at discretion of school nurse and physician*

Date Signed

Address

Physicians Signature