

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1 and 2, NRS 632.120.

Section 1. Chapter 632 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. In carrying out a plan of nursing care for a pupil with special needs pursuant to NRS 391.208, a registered nurse who is employed as a school nurse may delegate nursing care to a qualified person.

2. A school nurse may delegate only those duties of nursing care that the board has approved. The board will maintain a list of the duties it has approved for delegation and provide a copy of the list to a school nurse or member of the general public upon request.

3. A licensed practical nurse who is employed by a school district to provide nursing care in a school may not delegate nursing care or assign duties relating to that care to another person.

4. A school nurse may not administer medication to a pupil or delegate that duty to another person unless:

(a) He has obtained written authorization from the parent or legal guardian of the pupil to administer the medication;

(b) The medication is labeled; and

(c) He verifies that the medication has been prescribed and dispensed by a person authorized to do so pursuant to chapter 453, 454 or 639 of NRS or the laws of another state or the District of Columbia.

5. A record of the medication administered to a pupil must be maintained at the school the pupil attends. The school nurse shall indicate in the record each time he, or a person to whom he delegated the duty, administers medication to the pupil.

6. A school nurse shall develop safe and effective procedures for the administration of medication to pupils that comply with nationally recognized standards.

7. As used in this section, “qualified person” means a person who is:

(a) Certified or licensed by this state to provide nursing care to a pupil;

(b) Willing to provide nursing care to a pupil and who the school nurse has determined has the knowledge and skill to provide that nursing care to the pupil in a safe and effective manner; or

(c) Exempt from the requirement of obtaining a license to practice nursing pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 632.340 and whom the parent or legal guardian of the pupil designates as a person who may provide nursing care to the pupil.

Sec. 2. NAC 632.248 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.248 ~~[Unlicensed]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 1 of this regulation, unlicensed* personnel may not be assigned those duties which require the knowledge and skill of a licensed professional nurse or a licensed practical nurse as described in chapter 632 of NRS.