



## HEALTH SUPPORT SERVICES

Legal References:	<a href="#"><i>PPM No. 81. "Provision of Health Support Services in School Settings" (1984)</i></a> <a href="#"><i>MFIPPA- Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act</i></a> <a href="#"><i>PHIPA- Personal Health Information Protection Act</i></a>
Related References:	<a href="#"><i>Protocol - External Student Service Provider;</i></a> <a href="#"><i>Administrative Procedure 1460 - Administration of Medication;</i></a> <a href="#"><i>Administrative Procedure 1463 - Epilepsy and Seizure Disorder Management Plan</i></a> <a href="#"><i>Administrative Procedure 1467 - Asthma Management Plan;</i></a> <a href="#"><i>Administrative Procedure 1470 - Anaphylactic Management Plan;</i></a> <a href="#"><i>Administrative Procedure 1510 - Health Information-Other Health Support Services;</i></a> <a href="#"><i>Administrative Procedure 1530 -Diabetes Management;</i></a>
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### 1. Purpose

It is the policy of the Waterloo Region District School Board (WRDSB) that provision of WRDSB approved and specified support services be accepted by staff as part of the total education program for the students concerned, and that the Principal shall ensure the sensitivities of staff, who may be involved in the provision of health support services, are met to the greatest degree possible, recognizing that:

- 1.1 The Ontario Government has stated that responsibility for ensuring the provision of health support services to students in school settings is to be shared by the Ministries of Health and Long Term Care, Education and Children, Community and Social Services;
- 1.2 Responsibility for certain specific health support services during school hours including administration of oral medication, specified services (i.e., physio and occupational therapy) to students, and speech therapy programming has been assigned to school boards;
- 1.3 The Ministry of Education has directed that every school board have a protocol for the provision of services from regulated health professionals, regulated social service professionals, and paraprofessionals.