

KEEPING KIDS HEALTHY IN SCHOOL

School Nurses and School-Based Health Centers work hand in hand to keep students healthy while also keeping them in school. But how does it work?

1 ON THE FRONT LINES

For students who require first aid or who have a prescription that's already been prescribed (for example, insulin, an inhaler, or allergy medicine), the school nurse is on the front lines, making sure that these needs are met.

2 COMPREHENSIVE

Some SBHCs have a Nurse Practitioner, Behavioral Health Clinician and Dental Hygienist on staff every day. Students can be prescribed medicine, get a physical, get their teeth cleaned, talk to someone about their mental health, and more, all without ever leaving the school grounds.

3 EDUCATION

Both the School Nurse & SBHC staff play an important role in educating students about their health. From how to use an Epi Pen to information about puberty and making healthy choices, staff are always available to answer questions - judgment free.

4 STEP RIGHT UP

Students are able to walk in to see the School Nurse at any time throughout the school day (with teacher permission, of course!) and the same is true at the SBHC.

5 AFFORDABLE

Just like seeing a School Nurse is free, when a student comes to the SHBC, there is no out of pocket charge to the family for medical or behavioral health services. There is a small charge for dental services only. If a student doesn't have insurance, we work with them to make sure they can still get the care they need.

6 DREAM TEAM

If a School Nurse sees a student who has a sore throat, rather than having to call home and have the parent schedule a doctor's appointment, they can send them right to the SBHC for diagnosis and treatment!

