

MEDICAL/DENTAL HOME

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

All school-age children and youth should have access to a medical and dental home for preventive, therapeutic and restorative medical/dental care.

AUTHORIZATION/LEGAL REFERENCE:

Vermont School Quality Standards, Section 2120.8.1.3.3

<http://education.vermont.gov/new/pdfdoc/board/rules/2000.pdf>

Vermont Department of Health Medicaid Administrative Claiming Contract, section B 12

<http://healthvermont.gov/local/school/index.aspx>

Definition;

The American Academy of Pediatrics describes the medical home as a model of delivering primary care that is accessible, continuous, comprehensive, family-centered, coordinated, compassionate, and culturally effective.

REQUIRED SCHOOL NURSE/ASSOCIATE SCHOOL NURSE ROLES:

Each school within the Supervisory Union/School District will complete and submit all information requested for the VDH School Nurse Report by grade and school building. Collect the following health information: date of last well child exam, date of last dental hygiene exam, health insurance (not what kind but insured or not), Immunization compliance, numbers of students with asthma and with current asthma action plans .

SUGGESTED SCHOOL NURSE/ASSOCIATE SCHOOL NURSE ROLES:

- Inform all families about Vermont Medicaid/Green Mt. Care program and its benefits.
- Assist uninsured families in determining their eligibility for participation in Vermont's Medicaid program.
- Encourage parents to schedule a physical examination and dental examination for their child if it has been more than one year or health concerns are identified.

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- Document findings, referrals and follow-up action in the daily log and student's health record.
- File any physical or dental exam information received in the health record.
- Promote awareness of and understand the benefits of preventive and remedial medical and dental care.
- Work with the Vermont Department of Health School Liaison to optimize available resources
- Encourage participation in Vermont Department of Health's Tooth Tutor program

RESOURCES:

Children's Dental Care Guide in Medicaid

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medicaid/epsdt/default.asp>

Dr. Dynasaur/Green Mt. Care- <http://www.greenmountaincare.org/>

National Center of Medical Home Initiatives - <http://www.medicalhomeinfo.org/>

Vermont Dental Society - <http://www.vsds.org/>

Vermont Department of Health; Office of Oral Health

<http://healthvermont.gov/family/dental/services.aspx>

Vermont Department of Health – <http://healthvermont.gov/index.aspx>

SAMPLE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND FORMS

The Tooth Tutor Program <http://healthvermont.gov/family/smile/tooth-tutor.aspx>

Vermont Standards of Practice; School Health Services



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