

ADMINISTERING MEDICATIONS

The following individuals are authorized by law to administer medication to students in schools:

- A school physician
- A certified or non-certified school nurse
- A substitute school nurse (RN) employed by the district
- The student's parent/guardian
- A student who is approved to self-administer in certain life-threatening conditions as pursuant N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.3 and 12.4
- School employees who have been trained and designated by the certified school nurse to administer epinephrine in an emergency pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.5 and 12.6

Q. How should medication be administered on a field trip?

- Send a school nurse on the trip
- Hire a school nurse substitute to go on the trip
- Ask a parent or guardian to go on the trip
- Confer with the parent and the child's healthcare provider to alter the time, dosage, route or kind of medication on the day of the trip; obtain a written order for the change; or
- Confer with the parent and the healthcare provider to eliminate the medication on the day of the trip and obtain a written order from the healthcare provider for the change.