Delegation Grid Gets a Revision

Nursing service in schools is governed by the Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN) and the Kansas Nurse Practice Act (KNPA). Delegation by nurses is allowed under the delegation regulations contained in the Nurse Practice Act. It is important that each nurse understand these regulations and requirements prior to delegating procedures. It is equally important to have a clear understanding of what may NOT be delegated, e.g., nursing judgment, nurse care planning, etc. The KNPA may be viewed and downloaded at: Nurse Practice Act. Delegation is address in 65-1165 on page 14 of the current document, “Supervision of delegated nursing procedures.” Portions pertaining specifically to school nursing begin with 60-15-101 through 60-15-104 on pages 33 through 36 of the current document, “Performance of Selected Nursing Procedures in School Settings.”

An addendum document, “Delegation of Specific Nursing Tasks in the School Setting for Kansas” was updated in the last meeting of the Kansas Board of Nursing and can be found on the KSBN website under Resources > School Nursing. You may use this document for guidance regarding specific nursing tasks, whether they can be delegated, and to whom they may be delegated: Delegation Tool.

No task may be delegated unless the broad criteria for delegation of a task is met including the ability of the delegate, training, and supervision requirements. It is important to note that a task may be delegated but accountability for the task remains with the school nurse.

Sharon Morris, MSN, RN, NASN-Kansas Director.
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**Updates on NASN's *Every Student Counts*: National School Health Data Set**

*Every Student Counts - National Association of School Nurses*

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**School Nurse Net**

*Members of KSNO are automatically added to the KSNO community on NASN's website. Use the link School Nurse Net, login, and have discussions about pertinent Kansas topics*

My goal is to put out at least 3 newsletters a year. For more timely information go to School Nurse Net and join the discussion on the Kansas School Nurse Community. If you would like to opt out of these emails, contact me at rhutchinson@usd259.net. We are also working hard to update our website and Facebook page.
KAHSAA CPR waiver for Coaches and New Sports Physical

KAHSAA has agreed to grant a waiver for Hands on CPR for this year. Simply email Brent Unruh (bunruh@KSHSAA.org) asking for such a request.

KSHSAA's Medical Board recently approved a Preseason COVID screening form/cardiac health that will need to accompany the new PPE that is required this year. If a student turns in a PPE on the old form, it will be accepted for this year. http://www.kshsaa.org/

KSNO Mission Statement - Every Kansas student is healthy, safe, and ready to learn.

Nurses Needed To Plan the 2021 Kansas School Nurse Conference.

In search of conference planning committee members. Rural and/or western Kansas representatives needed the most.

Three meetings are tentatively scheduled in October, February, and March.

Please contact Katrina Benyshek for more information at kbenyshhek@usd214.org if you are interested.

A Note From The President

I would like to thank the members for your trust and the opportunity to serve as a leader for Kansas school nurses. There will be many opportunities and challenges facing school nurses in the upcoming year. This journey is not a walk alone. It takes a team to run the "village". We are all part of this team.

I encourage you as a professional nurse to take an active role in our village by setting a goal this year to engage in an activity outside of work to promote school nursing. Advocacy resources can be found at https://www.nasn.org/advocacy.

I challenge each of you to post or respond to at least one discussion on School Nurse Net (SNN) on the KSNO community by the end of 2020. SNN can be set up to send daily emails to you on current discussions. Again, thank you for your support and I look forward to serving you.

Sincerely,

Ronda Hutchinson, BSN, RN
Last Chance

The 2020 Kansas School Nurse (virtual) Conference was sold out.

**WSU is reopening registration for people who would like to view the recorded sessions.**

Registration will be open until August 7th. You will have 30 days to view and complete the evaluation for your CEUs. Register by calling 316-978-6493

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**Kansas COVID Workgroup for Kids (KCWK)**

Per KCWK’s Recommendations for School Opening, “The main objective of this document is to provide general guidance for the reopening of Kansas schools in the COVID-19 pandemic. This document has been created and vetted with input of regional family medicine and pediatric physicians, child psychologists, and school nurses as members of the Kansas COVID Workgroup for KIDS. We acknowledge that we are not school educators and do not understand the legal considerations and logistical operations of running a school district. With that in mind, we hope this document can provide some general guidance and recommendations as we are able to interpret the medical literature and assist in stratifying risks related to disease transmission.” The document can be viewed at KSNO.org on the main page under COVID resources. Thank you to Kimber Kasitz, KSNO Past President of KSNO for being a member of the KCWK and giving a voice for school nurses.

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**Voting Changes**

In an effort to propose and vote on new bylaw changes in a more timely manner, the process of amendment has been updated to include internet and by mail voting as opposed to just once a year at the annual business meeting. This change was voted on by members at the July 22, 2020 business meeting of the membership.

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**Awards**

The Kansas School Nurse Organization is proud to announce the 2020 KSNO scholarship has been awarded to Sarah Gilliland from Olathe, KS. Ms. Gilliland is pursuing her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree at the University of Kansas School of Nursing. We did not have a school nurse of the year nomination this year. I am sure we had plenty of nurses who deserved it. As we roll through this school year, please consider nominating someone you know who is an outstanding school nurse. Award criteria can be found at the KSNO.org website or use this link. Awards
Immunization Information

The updated Kansas Immunization Requirement School Nurse Tool for the 20-21 school year has been posted to the member library of School Nurse Net in the KSNO Community in the Immunization folder. School Nurse Net - Kansas School Nurses Organization

Link to KDHE Immunization Information

Immunize Kansas Coalition

Don’t forget to complete your evaluation for the Kansas School Nurse Conference for your CEU credits. It is located in the description of the Closing session.

Membership Category Changes

At the KSNO general meeting, the membership voted to align our membership categories with NASN. This allows LPN/LVN’s to be members. The four categories are:

ACTIVE-RN, Primarily assigned to the administration, education, or the provision of school health services

ASSOCIATE-Choose if an RN but not eligible for Active, or LPN/LVN

STUDENT-Must submit proof of enrollment in a nursing program with membership form. Cannot be an RN.

RETIRED-Must be a current Active or Associate to be eligible.

Now that you are a member, you will have access to:

- NASN’s two professional school nursing journals “Journal of School Nursing” and the “NASN SchoolNurse”.
- School Nurse online professional and private space for connecting with colleagues and community building (SchoolNurseNet; Kansas School Nurse Organization SchoolNurseNet, etc)
- Latest publications and resources
- Access to live and online continuing nursing education programs
- Vision Service Plan, which is a program that provides vouchers for glasses
- BAM Radio Network
- Discounted professional nursing insurance through Liberty Mutual
- And many more resources

Joann Wheeler, BSN, RN Membership Chair
Youth Vaping Epidemic

Shelby Rebeck has represented KSNO on the Kansas Board of Education’s E-cigarette and Vaping Task Force. The task force provided recommendations to the Kansas State Board of Education to decrease student vaping by educating school staff, parents, patrons, and students. The task force’s Discipline and Cessation Subcommittee developed best practices surrounding discipline related to vaping and encouraged local school boards to treat vaping as an addiction, to include addiction and cessation resources, instead of pursuing disciplinary actions/suspending. The task force is seeking approval of vaping education to be included in model health curriculum for all students in Kansas. Task force members created a webpage devoted to vaping information and resources on the Kansas Department of Health website. Model language for Comprehensive Tobacco Free Schools was supported and disseminated to all Kansas schools by the board of education. The task force continues to work on state policy, regulation, and enforcement and Shelby testified to both the Kansas House and Senate legislators regarding the vaping epidemic in Kansas schools. Additionally Shelby represented the work being done is Kansas as a panelist for NASN’s summer conference presentation on vaping.