REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF
PRESCRIPTION AND OVER THE COUNTER
MEDICATIONS IN
BEVERLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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POLICY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE

The Beverly School Committee approves the following policies governing the administration for prescription medicines in the school under its jurisdiction.

I. Management of the Medication Administration Program
   A. The school nurse shall be the supervisor of the prescription medication administration program in the school.

   B. The school nurse and the school physician/consultant shall develop and propose to the School Committee, policies and procedures relation to the administration of prescription medications.

   C. Medication Orders/Parental Consent

      1. The school nurse shall ensure that there is a proper medication order from a licensed prescriber which is renewed as necessary, including the beginning of each academic year. Only the school nurse shall receive a telephone order or any change in prescription medication. Any such verbal order must be followed by a written order within three school days. Whenever possible, the prescription medication order shall be obtained, and the prescription medication administration plan, specified in 105 CMR 210.005(E), shall be developed before the student enters or re-enters school.

         a. In accordance with standard medical practice, a prescription order from a licensed prescriber shall contain:

             1. The student’s name
             2. The name and signature of the licensed prescriber and business and emergency phone numbers
             3. The name, route and dosage of medication
             4. The frequency and time of administration
             5. The date of the order and the discontinuation date
             6. A diagnosis and any other medical condition(s) requiring medication, if not a violation of confidentiality or if not contrary to the request of a parent, guardian or student to keep confidential.
             7. Specific directions for administration

         b. Every effort shall be made to obtain from the licensed prescriber the following additional information, if appropriate:

             1. Any special side effects, contraindications and adverse reactions to be observed;
             2. Any other medications being taken by the student;
             3. The date of return visit, if applicable.

         c. Special Medication Situations

             1. For short-term prescription medications, i.e. those requiring administration for ten school days or fewer, the pharmacy-labeled container may be used in lieu of
a licensed prescriber’s order. If the nurse has a question, she may request a licensed prescriber’s order.

2. For “over-the-counter” medications, i.e., Non-prescription medications, the school nurse shall follow the Board of Registration in Nursing’s protocols regarding administration of over-the-counter medications in schools. (appendix A)

3. Investigational new drugs may be administered in the schools with (a) a written order by a licensed prescriber, (b) written consent of the parent or guardian, and (c) a pharmacy-labeled container for dispensing. If there is a question, the school nurse may seek consultation and/or approval from the school physician/consultant to administer the medication in the school setting.

2. The school nurse shall ensure that there is a written authorization by the parent/guardian which contains:
   a. the parent/guardian’s printed name, signature and a home and emergency phone number
   b. a list of all medications the student is currently receiving, if not a violation of confidentiality or contrary to the request of the parent, guardian, or student that such medications not be documented
   c. approval to have the school nurse, or school personnel designated by the school nurse, administer the medication:
   d. persons to be notified in case of a medication emergency, in addition to the parent or guardian, and licensed prescriber.

D. Medication Administration Plan

1. The school nurse, in collaboration with the parent or guardian whenever possible, shall establish a medication administration plan for each student receiving a prescription medication. Whenever possible, a student who understands the issues of medication administration shall be involved in the decision-making process and his/her preferences respected to the maximum extent possible (The Department of Education Guidelines require student consent for the 18-21 age group and student participation in planning after age 14, if appropriate). If appropriate, the prescription medication administration plan shall be referenced in any other health or educational plan developed pursuant to the Massachusetts Special Education Law (Individual Education Plan under Chapter 766) or federal laws, such as the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

2. Prior to the initial administration of the prescription medication, the school nurse shall assess the child’s health status and develop a medication administration plan which includes:
   a. the name of the student
   b. an order from a licensed prescriber, including business and emergency telephone numbers
   c. the signed authorization of the parent or guardian, including home and business telephone numbers:
   d. any known allergies to food or medications
   e. the diagnosis, unless a violation of confidentiality or the parent, guardian or student requests that it not be documented.
   f. the name of the prescription medication
g. the dosage of the prescription medication, frequency of administration and route of administration
h. any specific directions for administration
i. any possible side effects, adverse reactions or contraindications
j. the quantity of prescription medication to be received by the school from the parent or guardian
k. the required storage conditions
l. the duration of the prescription
m. the designation of unlicensed school personnel, if any, who will administer the prescription medication to the student in the absence of the nurse, and plans for back-up if the designated persons are not available
n. plans, if any, for teaching self administration of the prescription medication
o. with parental permission, other persons, including teachers, to be notified of prescription medication administration and possible adverse effects of the medication.
p. a list of other prescription and over-the-counter medications being taken by the student, if not a violation of confidentiality or contrary to the request of the parent, guardian or student that such medication not be documented
q. when appropriate, the location where the administration of the prescription medication will take place.
r. a plan for monitoring the effects of the prescription medication:
s. provision for prescription medication administration in the case of field trips and other short-term special school events. Every effort will be made to obtain a nurse or school staff member trained in prescription medication administration to accompany students at special school events. When this is not possible, the school nurse may delegate medication administration to another responsible adult. Written consent from the parent or guardian for the named responsible adult to administer the medication shall be obtained. The school nurse shall instruct the adult on how to administer the medication to the child.

E. The school nurse shall develop a procedure to ensure the positive identification of the student who receives the medication.

F. The school nurse shall communicate significant observations relating to the prescription medication’s effectiveness, adverse reactions, or other harmful effects to the child’s parent/guardian and/or licensed prescriber.

G. In accordance with standard nursing practice, the school nurse may refuse to administer or allow to be administered any prescription medication, which, based on her/his individual assessment and professional judgment, has the potential to be harmful, dangerous or inappropriate. In these cases, the parent/guardian and licensed prescriber shall be notified immediately by the school nurse and the reason for refusal, explained and documented.
H. For the purposes of prescription medication administration, the licensed practical nurse functions under the general supervision of the school nurse who has delegation authority. Prescription medication administration is within the scope of practice for the licensed practical nurse under M.G.L. Chapter 112.

I. The school nurse shall have a current pharmaceutical reference available for her/his use, such as The Physician’s Desk Reference (PDR) or U.S.P.D.I (Dispensing Information) Facts and Comparisons.

J. Delegation/Supervision (this section applies to school districts or private schools which have been registered by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to permit school nurses to delegate responsibility for administration of medication to trained nursing-supervised unlicensed school personnel).

II. Self Administration of Prescription Medications

“Self administration” means that the student is able to consume or apply prescription medication in the manner directed by the licensed prescriber, without additional assistance or direction.

A student may be responsible for taking his/her own prescription medication after the school nurse has determined that the following requirements are met.

A. The student, school nurse and parent/guardian, where appropriate, enter into an agreement which specifies the conditions under which prescription medication may be self administered.

B. The school nurse, as appropriate, develops a prescription medication administration plan, which contains only those elements necessary to ensure safe, self-administration of prescription medication.

C. The student’s health status and abilities have been evaluated by the school nurse, who then deems self-administration safe and appropriate. As necessary, the school nurse shall observe initial self-administration of the prescription medication.

D. The school nurse is reasonably assured that the student is able to identify the appropriate prescription medication, knows the frequency and time of day for which the prescription medication is ordered.

E. There is written authorization from the student’s parent/guardian that the student may self medicate, unless the student has consented to treatment under M.G.L.c. 112F or other authority permitting the student to consent to medical treatment without parental permission.

F. If requested by the school nurse, the licensed prescriber provides a written order for self-administration.

G. The student follows a procedure for documentation of self-administration of prescription medication.

H. The school nurse establishes a policy for the safe storage of self-administered medication and, as necessary, consults with teachers, the student and parent/guardian, if appropriate, to determine a safe place for storing the prescription medication for the individual student, while
providing for accessibility if the student’s health needs require it. This information shall be included in the prescription medication administration plan. In the case of an inhaler or other preventative emergency prescription medication, whenever possible, a backup supply shall be kept in the health room or accessible location.

I. The student’s self-administration is monitored based on his/her abilities and health status. Monitoring may include teaching the student the correct way of taking the prescription medication, reminding the student to take the prescription medication, visual observation to ensure compliance, recording that the medication was taken, and notifying the parent/guardian or licensed prescriber of any side effects, variations from the plan, or the student’s refusal or failure to take prescription medication.

J. With parental/guardian and student permission, as appropriate, the school nurse may inform appropriate teachers and administrators that the student is self-administering a prescription medication.

III. HANDLING, STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF MEDICATIONS

A. A parent, guardian, or a parent/guardian-designated responsible adult shall deliver all prescription medications to be administered by school personnel or to be taken by self-medication students, if required by the self administration agreement, to the school nurse or other responsible person designated by the school nurse.

1. The prescription medication must be in a pharmacy-labeled or manufactured-labeled container.
2. The school nurse or other responsible person receiving the medication shall document the quantity of the prescription medication delivered.
3. In extenuating circumstances, as determined by the school nurse, the prescription medication may be delivered by other persons; provided, however, that the nurse is notified in advance by the parent/guardian of the arrangement and the quantity of prescription medication to be delivered to the school.

B. All prescription medications shall be stored in their original pharmacy or manufacturer labeled containers and in such manner as to render them safe and effective. Expiration dates shall be checked.

C. All prescription medications to be administered by school personnel shall be kept in a securely locked cabinet used exclusively for medications, which is kept locked except when opened to obtain the prescription medications. The cabinet shall be substantially constructed and anchored securely to a solid surface. Prescription medications requiring refrigeration shall be stored in either a locked box in a refrigerator or in a locked refrigerator maintained at temperatures of 38 to 42 degrees Fahrenheit.

D. Access to stored medication shall be limited to persons authorized to administer medications and to self-medicating students. Access to keys and knowledge of the location of keys shall be restricted to the maximum extent possible. Students who are self-medication shall not have access to other student’s medications.

E. Parents or guardians may retrieve the prescription medications from the school at any time.
F. No more than a thirty (30) school day supply of the prescription medication for a student shall be stored at school.

G. Where possible, all unused, discontinued or outdated prescription medications shall be returned to the parent or guardian and the return appropriately documented. In extenuating circumstances, with parental consent when possible, such prescription medications may be destroyed by the school nurse in accordance with any applicable policies of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Division of Food and Drugs. All medications should be returned at the end of the school year.

IV. DOCUMENTATION AND RECORD-KEEPING

A. Each school, where school personnel administer prescription medications, shall maintain a prescription medication administration record for each student who receives prescription medication during school hours.

1. Such record at a minimum shall include a daily log and a prescription medication administration plan, including the prescription medication order and parent/guardian authorization.

2. The prescription medication administration plan shall include the information as described in Section 210.005 (E) of the Regulations Governing the Administration of Prescription Medications in Public and Private Schools.

3. The daily log shall contain:
   a. The dose or amount of prescription medication administered.
   b. The date and time or administration or omission of administration, including the reason for omission.
   c. The full signature of the nurse or designated unlicensed school personnel administering the prescription medication. If the medication is given more than once by the same person, he/she may initial the record, subsequent to signing a full signature.

4. The school nurse shall document in the prescription medication administration record significant observations of the medication’s effectiveness, as appropriate, and any adverse reactions or other harmful effects, as well as any action taken.

5. All documentation shall be recorded in ink and shall not be altered.

6. With the consent of the parent, guardian or student, where appropriate, the completed prescription medication administration record and records pertinent to self-administration shall be filed in the student’s cumulative health record. When the parent, guardian or student, where appropriate objects, these records shall be regarded as confidential medical notes and shall be kept confidential.

B. The Beverly School System shall comply with the Department of Public Health’s reporting requirement for prescription medication administration in the schools.
C. The Department of Public Health may inspect any individual student medication record or
record relating to the administration or storage of prescription medications, without prior
notice, to ensure compliance with the Regulations Governing the Administration of
Prescription Medications in Public and Private Schools.

V. REPORTING AND DOCUMENTATION OF PRESCRIPTION
MEDICATION ERRORS.

A. A medication error includes any failure to administer prescription medication as prescribed for a
particular student, including failure to administer the medication:

1. within appropriate time frames; (the appropriate time frames should be addressed
   in the prescription medication administration plan

2. in the correct dosage;

3. in accordance with accepted practice;

4. to the correct student.

B. In the event of a prescription medication error, the school nurse shall notify the parent or a
guardian immediately. (The school nurse shall document the effort to reach the parent or
guardian.) If there is a question of potential harm to the student, every effort should be made
to reach the student’s licensed prescriber.

C. The school nurse shall document medication errors on the student accident/incident report
form. These reports shall be retained in the principal’s office and the student health record. A
copy will be submitted to the School Nursing Leader. They shall be made available to the
Department of Public Health upon request. All prescription medication errors resulting in
serious illness requiring medical care shall be reported to the Department of Public Health,
Bureau of Family and Community Health. All suspected diversion or tampering of drugs
should be reported to the Department of Public Health, Division of Food and Drugs.

D. The school nurse shall review report of prescription medication errors and take necessary steps
to ensure appropriate prescription medication administration in the future.

VI. RESPONSE TO MEDICATION EMERGENCIES
(Refer to the school’s policy for handling all health emergencies in the school.) Such
emergency policies shall contain:

1. Local emergency response system telephone numbers (including ambulance,
   poison control center number, local emergency care providers, etc., )
2. Persons to be notified, e.g. parent/guardian, licensed prescriber, etc.,
3. Names of persons in the school to provide first aid and cardiopulmonary
   resuscitation,
4. Scheduled programs for staff to be trained in First Aid and CPR
5. Provision of necessary supplies and equipment and
6. Reporting requirements.

The school nurse shall develop procedures for responding to prescription medication
emergencies, i.e. any reaction or condition related to administration of prescription medication
which poses an immediate threat to the health or well being of the student. These procedures shall be consistent with the school’s policy for handling all health emergencies and shall include maintaining a list of persons to be notified in case of a prescription medication emergency.

VII. DISSEMINATION TO PARENTS OR GUARDIANS REGARDING ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS

Such information shall include an outline of prescription medication policies and shall be available to parents or guardians upon request.

VIII. PROCEDURES FOR RESOLVING QUESTIONS BETWEEN THE SCHOOL AND PARENTS REGARDING ADMINISTRATION OF PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION (Refer to approved existing policies within the school system for the resolution of differences, if appropriate.)

IX. POLICY REVIEW AND REVISION

Review and revision of these policies and procedures shall occur as needed but at least every two years.

Approved by School Physician/Consultant Sheryl Silva MD____________date __________
(signature)

Approved by School Nurse Leader______Cathy J. Riccio RN___________date __________
(signature)

Date approved by the School Committee __May 5, 2010_______________________________

Authorizing Signature _________________Annemarie Cesa President School Committee____

Date Registered by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for Approval to delegate to Unlicensed Personnel, if applicable ____ (Reapplication with DPH due 2012)_______
APPENDIX A
Board of Registration in Nursing Policy Governing the Administration of Over-the-Counter Medications
Beverly Public Schools

Board of Registration in Nursing Policy Governing the Administration of Over-The-Counter Medications

Medication administration in Massachusetts schools must be according to protocols written by an authorized prescriber (Physician, Nurse Practitioner, and Dentist).

Nurses may administer over-the-counter medications to students in Massachusetts schools based on protocols which have been developed in collaboration with the school department’s physician, dentist or nurse practitioner, provided that the appropriate school administrative authority allows the use of such protocols.

Protocols include:
- Drug Name, Dose, Dosage Interval/Directions
- Indications and Contraindications
- Potential Adverse Effects
- Cautions
- Nursing Action/Assessment which must include:
  1. Current medications the student is taking.
  2. Student’s History of allergies.

Parental consent for use of a drug according to the protocol must be on file and available to the nurse, as must information about the student’s known allergies.

Documentation of over-the-counter medication administered according to such protocols must conform to the school department’s regulations for documentation of medication administered to students.

The list of medications approved for administration, as well as the protocols, should be made available in each school’s health office.

Every effort will be made to contact parents of elementary school students, before a medication is given.

Parent requests for their children to receive over-the-counter medication during the school day that is not included in the current list of over the counter medication protocols presently given by a Beverly Public School’s nurse will require a signed Parental Medication Consent form and a signed Physician Medication Consent form. This is to protect against drug interactions and to provide for the health and safety of the child. A supply of the clearly labeled over-the-counter medication needs to be provided to the nurse with the child’s name along with the signed consent forms.
APPENDIX B
Letter to Parent/Guardian Explaining Medication Policies

Front “Letter to Parents about New Medication Policies and Protocols”
Back “Medication Administration Parent Information”
Dear Parent/Guardian,

We would like to inform you of regulations put in place by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the policies adopted by the Beverly School Committee regarding the administration of medications in school under the guidance of Dr. Sheryl Silva, School Physician.

Over-the-counter medications approved for administration by the school nurses, as well as the protocols, are available in each school’s health office and on the Health Services webpage found on the Beverly School’s website, www.beverlyschools.org. (Look for the “Parents” tab and drop down to “Health Services.”) The list of medications and protocols is as follows:

- Acetaminophen (Tylenol) Protocol
- Aloe Vera Gel Protocol
- Anaphylaxis (Epinephrine Administration) Protocol
- Bacitracin Ointment Protocol
- Benadryl Protocol
- Calamine Lotion Protocol
- 1% Hydrocortisone Ointment Protocol
- Ibuprofen (Advil or Motrin) Protocol for Grades 6-12 only
- Pramoxine HCL 1% (Sting Relief Pads) Protocol
- Tums Protocol for Grades 6-12 only

Only the above medications will be in the nurse’s offices and Ibuprofen and Tums will only be available for grades 6 through 12. Every effort will be made to contact parents of elementary students before a medication is given. **Over-the-counter medications outside of the standard Beverly Schools protocols will require both parent and physician signed medication consents.**

If you do not want your child to receive any one of the medications listed above, put your signed request in writing to the school nurse with your child’s name.

In the best interest of all students, medications should be given outside of school hours whenever possible. If, however, your child will need to take medication (including over-the-counter medications outside of the standard protocols) during the school day, the following information must be on file in your child’s school health clinic before any medication will be given:

1. A **signed consent parent/guardian medication form** and,
2. A **signed physician medication order by a licensed prescriber** that includes:
   -- medication name, dose, frequency, route and time of administration
   -- specific instructions, special side effects, or possible adverse reactions

Both of these consents must be renewed at the beginning of each school year or rewritten as needed.

Further instructions highlighting important medication administration policies are on the reverse side of this letter. These new policies have been put into place to protect your child and reduce medication side effects.

Sincerely,

Cathy J. Riccio BSN MS
Nurse Leader

*To enable all students to reach their potential through an academically challenging and diverse education.*
BEVERLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION PARENT INFORMATION

We would like to inform you of regulations put in place by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and policies adopted by the Beverly School Committee regarding the administration of medications in school. Except as noted below, students are not allowed to carry or self-administer medication while on school property.

Best interest of all students, medications should be given outside of school hours whenever possible. If, how your child will need to take medication (including over-the-counter medications) during the school day, the following information must be on file in your child’s school health clinic before any medication will be given:

(1) A signed consent parent/guardian medication form and,

(2) A signed physician medication order by a licensed prescriber that includes:
   --medication name, dose, frequency, route and time of administration
   --specific instructions, special side effects, or possible adverse reactions

Both of these consents must be renewed at the beginning of each school year or rewritten as needed.

Medication must be in its original pharmacy or manufacturer’s container and be delivered directly to the nurse in the school by you or a responsible person chosen by you. No more than a 30 day supply of the medication should be delivered.

Field Trips: If a child must receive medication while on a field trip, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to communicate with the school nurse so that any necessary arrangements for administration can be made prior to the trip.

Inhalers/Epi-pens: Students who need to carry their own inhalers or epi-pens must have written self-administration permission from the licensed prescriber and the parent/guardian. If your child has severe asthma or life-threatening allergies, please send in an extra inhaler or epi-pen to be kept in the clinic.

Short-Term Prescription Medications: The pharmacy label for short term prescription medications (such as antibiotics) can be used in place of the prescriber’s written order. The parent/guardian consent is still needed.

Narcotic Medications: Any medication classified as narcotic in the Physician’s Desk Reference will not be administered in the school setting.

Over the Counter Medications: Nurses may administer certain over-the-counter medications to students based on protocols developed by the school physician and approved by the school committee. The list of medications approved for administration, as well as the protocols, are available in each school’s health office. Every effort will be made to contact parents of elementary students before a medication is given. Over-the-counter medications outside of the standard Beverly Schools protocols will require both parent and physician signed medication consents.

The Beverly Public Schools will not assume any responsibility for students not in compliance with these policies.

Consent forms, medication protocols, and other pertinent information are available in every school clinic and the Health Services webpage at www.beverlyschools.org. Highlight the parent’s tab and drop down to “Health Services.”

Any questions regarding medication in school should be referred directly to your school nurse.

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APPENDIX C
Parent/Guardian Medication Consent Form
Beverly Public Schools
PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT
For Medication Administration

Student’s Name_________________________________________  Today’s Date  ____________________

Parent/Guardian printed name______________________________________________________________

Telephone number—Home:_________________  Cell Phone number ____________________________

Telephone number—Work:_________________  Emergency:____________________________________

Other person(s) to be notified in case of medication emergency:

Name:_________________  Telephone number:_________________

I give permission for my son/daughter to receive the following medication/medications (to be completed if not in violation of confidentiality):

_____________________________________________________________________________________

My son/daughter has the following food or drug allergies:

_____________________________________________________________________________________

I consent to have the school nurse or school personnel designated by the School Nurse administer the medication prescribed by:

_______________________________________  to ___________________________________

Licensed Prescriber  Student’s Name

I give permission for my son/daughter to self-administer medication, if the school nurse determines it is safe and appropriate.

_____Yes  _____No

I give permission to the School Nurse to share information relevant to the prescribed medication administration as he/she determines appropriate for my son’s/daughter’s health and safety.

I understand I may retrieve the medication from the school at any time; however, the medication will be destroyed if it is not picked up within one week following termination of the order or one week beyond the close of school.

Parent/Guardian Signature______________________________________________________________

Relationship to Student_______________________________________________________________

Address:_________________________________________________City___________________________(rev8/2010)
BEVERLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Physician Medication Order
(to be completed by a licensed prescriber)

Name of Student ____________________________________________ Date of Birth ______________

Address ____________________________________________ Grade ______________
(street) (city/town)

Name/Title of Licensed Prescriber ______________________________________________________

Physician Business Phone ______________________ Emergency Phone ______________________

Medication ____________________________________________________________

Route of administration ______________________ Dosage _____________________________

Frequency ______________________ Time(s) of Administration ______________________
(Please note: Whenever possible, medication should be scheduled at times other than during school hours.)

Specific directions or information for administration ______________________________________

Date of Order ______________________ Discontinuation Date ______________________

Diagnosis* _________________________________________________________________

Any other medical condition(s)* ________________________________________________

Optional Information

1. Special side effects, contraindications, or possible adverse reactions to be observed:
_____________________________________________________________________________

2. Other medication being taken by the student:
_____________________________________________________________________________

3. Date of the next scheduled visit or when advised to return to prescriber: _____________

4. Consent for self administration (provided the school nurse determines it is safe and appropriate).
   Yes_______ No _________

Signature of Licensed Prescriber __________________________________________________________________________ Date ____________
*if not in violation of confidentiality

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APPENDIX E

Field Trip Policy,
Field Trip Medication Delegation,
and
Field Trip Medication Self-Administration Permission Forms
The classroom teacher shall notify the school nurse in advance of a field trip or short-term school sponsored special event. A Medication Delegation for Field Trips Form will be sent to the person responsible for administering the prescription medication during the field trip. All students requiring medications on school field trips will have an Individual Medication Administration Plan on record in the school Health Office.

The school nurse will provide the responsible designated adult with the student’s medication in a pharmacy labeled container. The school nurse will review the information on the container with that adult including: student name, medication, dose, time of administration, any special instructions or cautions.

The classroom teacher or other designated responsible adult will have responsibility for the safe keeping of the medication and for administering the medication. The designated adult will have the responsibility of returning the pharmacy labeled container to the school nurse at end of the field trip or school sponsored short-term special event.

In certain circumstances, efforts will be made to have a licensed nurse accompany the student on a field trip.

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Medication Delegation for Field Trips

Date________________

Student__________________________________________________________

Medication __________________ Dose __________ Time to be given__________

Administration Delegated to___________________________________________

School Nurse Signature______________________________________________

(medication must be transported in its original container)

At the completion of the field trip return this signed form to the school nurse.

Medication given at:_______________

Administered by:____________________

(Signature)

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Medication Self-Administration for Field Trips

Date_______

Your child’s class will be going to ____________________________, on
(destination of field trip)
___________________20__. Please complete and review the information below.
(date of field trip)

Parental Permission for Medication Self-Administration

I, ______________________(parent/guardian), give permission for my child
________________________to self-administer medication while on a field trip.
(Name of Child)

I understand that the medication will be transported in a prescription marked
container by the student _________or teacher________(please check one).

Only one dose of the medication will be in the container, to be sent in with the
student on the day of the field trip.

The teacher selected to transport your child’s medication (if applicable) will be
______________________________.

Please sign and return to the school nurse as soon as possible. Please do not hesitate to call
the nurse with any questions.

Parental/Guardian Signature _______________________________ Date_____________

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APPENDIX F
Student Medication Administration Plan Form
Beverly Public Schools Medication Administration Plan

Name of Student__________________________________________Date of Birth______________________Grade___________

School___________________________________________________Teacher__________________________Ph Ext__________

Parent/guardian name_____________________________________Address____________________________City___________

Home Telephone__________________________________________Business Telephone________________________________

Emergency Telephone_______________________________________Cell Phone______________________________

Food/Drug Allergies___________________________________________________________________________________

Diagnoses:_____________________________________________________________________________________________(if not a violation of confidentiality)

Name of licensed prescriber__________________________________Office Phone____________________________

Name of Medication(s):________________________________________

Date Ordered_____________________________Duration of Order____________Expiration Date of Medications___________

Dosage______________________________Frequency____________________Route of Administration____________________

Specific Directions, e.g., Times to be Given:_______________________

Possible Side Effects, Adverse Reactions:__________________________

Quantity of Medication Received by School and Date:_______________________

Plan for Field Trips:___________________________________________

Delegated to (if applicable): __________________________________Back-up Plans (if delegatee unavailable):___________

Plans for teaching self administration, if applicable:__________________________

Other persons to be notified of medication administration (with parental permission):__________________________

Other medications being taken by the student during the school day (if not in violation of confidentiality):___________________

Plan for monitoring medication, if needed:__________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature________________________________________Date_________

School Nurse Signature_______________________________________Date_________Student’s Signature if appropriate________Date_________

Physician medication order and parent/guardian authorization may be attached to this form. rev 8/2010
APPENDIX G
Medication Error Report Form
BEVERLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Medication Error Report

A medication error is defined as: “failure to administer the prescribed medication within the time frame, in the correct dosage, in accordance with accepted practice, to the correct student”.

Date of Report ____________________________ School __________________________
Prepared by _____________________________________________________________
Name of Student __________________ DOB ___________ Sex _______ Grade _____
Home Address ___________________________ Phone # __________________
Street __________________________________________________________________
City/Town ___________________________ Zip code __________
Date Error Occurred _______________________ Time Noted __________________
Person Administering Medication ____________________________________________
Name ___________________________ Title __________________________
Licensed Prescriber ______________________________________________________
Name ___________________________ Address __________________________
Reason Medication was Prescribed __________________________________________
Date of Order ____________ Instructions for Administration ______________________
Medication ____________________ Dose ________ Route ____ Scheduled time ______

Describe the error and how it occurred (use reverse side if necessary)

Action Taken

Licensed Prescriber Notified: Yes _____ No _____ Date ______ Time ______
Parent/Guardian Notified: Yes _____ No _____ Date ______ Time ______
Other Persons Notified: __________________________________________
Outcome: ______________________________________________________________________

Name ___________________________ Signature ____________________________
Title ___________________________ Date ____________________________

Nurse Leader Signature________________________Copies to Principal and Nurse Leader rev8/2010
APPENDIX H
Daily Medication Administration Log
**Beverly Public Schools Medication Administration Daily Log**  
(To be completed for each medication)  

**School Year____________________________**  

**Name of Student________________________________**  
**Date of Birth __________________  Sex ___**  
**Home Room or Teacher__________________________**  

**Name and Dosage of Medication________________________________**  
**Route ________  Frequency __________  Time(s) Given________**  

Directions: Initial with time of administration; a complete signature and initials of each person administering medications should be included.  

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**INITIAL  SIGNATURE  CODES***  
(of person administering medication)  

1. _______ ____________________________ ___________________________ (A) Absent (O) No Show  
2. _______ ____________________________ ___________________________ (E) Early Dismissal (W) Dosage Withheld  
3. _______ ____________________________ ___________________________ (F) Field Trip (X) No School (e.g., holiday, weekend, snow day, etc.)  
4. _______ ____________________________ ___________________________ (N) No Medication Available  

Use reverse side for reporting significant information (e.g. observations of medication’s effectiveness, adverse reactions, reason for omission, plan to prevent...
APPENDIX I
Emergency Procedures for Beverly Schools
BEVERLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

In the event of apparent serious injury or illness to any child or adult, the following procedure should be observed:

1. The first staff person on the scene stays with the victim and calls or sends a runner to alert the main office, principal, and/or school nurse and gives them the following information:

   **WHO**
   **WHAT**
   **WHERE**

2. Assessment is made by the nurse, principal or other adult trained to deal with emergencies as to whether

   - Primary physician is notified
   - Ambulance is needed
   - Parent is called
   - Emergency medication is needed (designate one person to record time med is given and dose that is given)
   - If AED is needed

3. If ambulance is needed, call 911 using Procedure for Making Emergency Phone Calls.

4. Emergency cards are on file for all students and staff and should accompany a person who is being transported by ambulance to a hospital or a child who is being brought to any medical facility if parent/guardian is not available.

   Emergency cards provide phone numbers of persons to be notified in an emergency, name and phone numbers of primary physician and significant medical information including health problems, allergies and medications. It also furnishes parental permission to transfer and treat a child in case of an emergency, when parents cannot be reached.

5. The school nurse is responsible for identifying those school personnel who are trained to deal with emergencies.
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EMERGENCY TELEPHONE PROCEDURE

1. Dial 911

2. State who you are “I am ________________, a nurse/teacher/secretary at the ________________ School”

3. State where you are:
   - School Name: ________________
   - Address: ________________
   - City: ________________

4. State what is wrong with the child.

5. Give specific directions: (e.g., which school entrance should be used, location of child)

6. NEVER hang up first. Ask that the information be repeated and provide any other necessary information. Hang up after the 911 respondent has hung up.

7. Notify:
   a. School Nurse
   b. The school principal or his/her designee
   c. Parents/Guardians

8. The school official will:
   a. Meet the EMS personnel
   b. Direct emergency personnel to the emergency area
   c. Follow up with any necessary phone calls.

9. An adult should be designated to accompany a child in the ambulance in the absence of a parent/guardian.
APPENDIX J
Procedure for Resolving Questions Between the School and Parents Regarding Administration of Prescription Medication
BEVERLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Procedure for Resolving Questions Between the School and Parent/Guardian Regarding the Administration of Prescription Medication

The school nurse and the school principal shall confer with the school physician/consultant to resolve a question between the school and parents/guardians. In the case of a difference of opinion, the school nurse can request that the school physician/consultant confer with the prescribing physician as a stipulation of continuing a medication or procedure in question.
APPENDIX K
Policy for Review and Revision
BEVERLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Policy for Review and Revision of the Prescription Medication Administration Program

The Beverly Public Schools Policy for the Administration of Prescription Medicine will be subject to revision as needed and will be reviewed every two years, beginning two years after approval has been given by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.