



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Community Based Regulation Section

DATE: May 1, 2009
TO: All Licensed Child Care Providers
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RE: Medication Administration Training

Questions frequently arise about who can provide training to unlicensed childcare staff in order for that staff to administer medications.

Section 19a-79-9a(b)(1)(A) of the Regulations of Child Day Care Centers and Group Day Care Homes and Section 19a-87b-17(c)(1)(A) of the Regulations of Family Day Care Homes require that prior to the administration of medications by the child care staff, those staff be trained by a physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse or a registered nurse. The training would be provided for the methods of administration of medications that will be provided to childcare participants. The methods include oral, topical and inhalant medications and after satisfactorily completing that training they then may be trained in the administration of injectable medications by a premeasured, commercially prepared syringe.

The definitions of whom these trainers are should be considered as you plan your training. Those definitions can be found at Section 19a-87b-2 and Section 19a-79-1a as follows:

PHYSICIAN means a doctor of medicine or osteopathy licensed to practice medicine in this or another state.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT means an individual who is licensed in accordance with Section 20-12b of the Connecticut General Statutes and Regulations adopted thereunder

ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE means an individual licensed pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 20-94a of the Connecticut General Statutes

REGISTERED NURSE means a person with a license to practice as a registered nurse in Connecticut in accordance with chapter 378 of the Connecticut General Statutes.



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