

Personnel -- CertifiedDestruction of Medication

At the end of the school year or whenever a student's medication is discontinued by the prescribing physician, the parent or guardian is to be contacted and requested to repossess the unused medication within a seven (7) school day time period. In the event the parent does not comply with this request, all medication is to be destroyed by the school nurse in the presence of a witness (school physician, principal, teacher) according to the following procedures:

1. Medication will be destroyed in a nonrecoverable fashion.
 - A. Liquid medication should be poured into a sink or water closet.
 - B. Any medication in pill or tablet form should be crushed and poured into a sink or water closet.
2. The following information is to be charted on the student's health folder and signed by the school nurse and witness:
 - A. Date of destruction;
 - B. Time of destruction;
 - C. Name, strength, form and quantity of medication destroyed;
 - D. Manner of destruction of medication.
3. Controlled substances shall not be destroyed by the school nurse. In the event that any controlled substance remains unclaimed, the supervisor of nursing shall contact the commissioner of consumer protection to arrange for proper disposition.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-212a-1 - 10-212a-7 Administration of medicines by school personnel

1307.21 Code of Federal Regulations

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