

Educating parents, caregivers, school nurses and staff on how to measure and administer doses of medication for children can prevent medication errors.



As a parent, you should work with your child and school personnel to help ensure your child's safety.

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The school year will be here before you know it. And you, as a parent are already thinking about all that is necessary to prepare. There are pencils, paper and school clothes to buy, appointments for physicals, and lots of other things to get ready.

One item that should not be overlooked is the medication your child may have to take during school hours. If this is the case, make sure that you teach your child to know what their medication looks like, what they are taking the medication for, and when or how often they should take it during the school day.

A small amount of time to educate your child on their medication can help to ensure that your child stays safe.

Cut out and fold along the dotted lines. Tag can be placed in a wallet, pinned to clothing or placed on medication.

<p>Place your child's photograph here.</p>	
<p>STUDENT INFO</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Grade: _____</p> <p>Room #: _____</p> <p>Emergency contact: _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p>	<p>DOSAGES</p> <p>Amount: _____</p> <p>Time(s): _____</p> <p>Med name _____</p>
<p>MEDICAL CONTACTS</p> <p>Physician: _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <p>Pharmacist: _____</p>	



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DID YOU KNOW?

In any given week:

- ✓ over half of all children under eighteen take at least one medication
- ✓ over one quarter of all children under eighteen take two or more medications
- ✓ over one fifth of all children under eighteen use at least one prescription drug
- ✓ school systems deliver more medications than large hospital or nursing home systems
- ✓ approximately six percent of all school-age children receive medication while in school
- ✓ over three-quarters of school-administered medications are given by non-nursing school staff such as secretaries, health aides, teachers, etc.
- ✓ over three-quarters of reported school-related medication errors are missed doses

Children, as users of medication, have a right to appropriate information:

- ✓ children want to know about their medications
- ✓ children's interest in their medications should be encouraged
- ✓ children should be taught how to ask the right questions about their medications
- ✓ children learn by example
- ✓ children's medication education should include both what they want to know and what they need to know
- ✓ children's medication education should include both use and misuse of medicines



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MEDICAL CONTACTS Physician: _____ Phone: _____ Pharmacist: _____	DOSAGES Amount: _____ Time(s): _____ Med name: _____	STUDENT INFO Name: _____ Grade: _____ Room #: _____ Emergency contact: _____ Phone: _____
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