

2015-16 NURSING UPDATES:

1. Annual required online updates to be completed before October 1, 2015:

- [Bloodborne Pathogen Update](#)
- [Bullying](#)
- [Child Abuse Reporting](#)
- [Confidentiality Training for Nurses](#)
- [Medication Update](#)
- [Registered Nurse Delegation in Oregon](#)
- [Delegation Post Test](#)
- [Sexual Conduct: Staff-to-Student](#)
- [Sexual Harassment: Staff-to-Staff](#)

2. SHS general department updates

- [PPS Model- Q & A](#)
- New supplies issued: Each nurse and SHA will have a “Received Stamp.” This is to be used to date stamp incoming time sensitive health information or parent communication (e.g. MD orders, Parent Authorization to Exchange Health Information, Medication Authorization). Date stamp time sensitive forms stamped before attaching to the student HOA record.
- Nurses will receive a “Get a Grip” zip lock bag with a pair of hemostats and an instruction card to be kept with the Epi-pen® trainer. Hemostats are for SHS personnel use. Schools or families may purchase hemostats if needed for individual student or school staff use.

MESD SHAs performing delegations that involve needles will be issued a pair of hemostats.

- [Absences, Leave Forms, and Call in Procedure:](#)
This policy has been revised. Note that a leave form is now required for all absences, including sick leave. There is also a new call in procedure for nurses.
[Reporting an Absence Cheat Sheet](#)

- Sick Leave-Per Human Resources, sick leave is only for your own personal absence due to illness. Personal Time Off is to be used for business or family related absences.
- New SHS staff- New staff will be introduced in a fall 2015 issue of Pulse Points.

3. SHS Policies, procedures, and forms updates:

More policies and procedures have been updated by supervisors.

A list of updates to Procedures, Professional Protocols, Forms, Staff Manual, etc. can be found [here](#).

Please review all department updates, and policy/procedure updates, print the list, sign that these have been reviewed, and submit to your supervisor. Review all policies no later than 10/1/15.

Include: Documentation, Nursing Records ([IV DOCN](#)): This revision was completed and posted 11/2014. Please be sure you have reviewed the revised documentation standards.

4. HOA updates

[HOA Q & A](#)

[HOA 2.1 release notes](#)

5. [Lippincott Advisor for Education Resource](#)

- Purpose: To provide nurses access to timely evidence-based literature that can be utilized to enhance clinical practice in the school community.
To establish a resource specifically for nurses that can be utilized for professional development.
- Log in: user name: 1st initial & last name (lowercase) Password: password1
- To serve as an evidence based resource to be used as a framework when updating SHS procedures and protocols

7. Screening Team

Here is this school year's calendar: [Screening Calendar 2015-2016](#)

8. Immunization updates

Senate Bill 895 is a new law about school immunizations for 2015-2016.

Key changes are:

- Religious exemptions (now referred to as non-medical) signed prior to March 1, 2014 are no longer valid. Parents will be required to turn in documentation of immunization or complete the new process for a nonmedical exemption prior to Exclusion Day in February 2016.
- Schools and children's facilities (preschools, Head Starts and certified child care programs) will be required to have their immunization and exemption rates available at their main offices, on their websites, and for parents on paper or electronic format.

FAQs for parents and school staff are available on the SHS Immunization webpage. A sample letter for school staff for parent notification is also available.

9. Synergy

The [Synergy link](#) on the SHS webpage (under Quick Links) will now take you directly to the new Synergy locations. If you have previously bookmarked these pages, you will want to either delete or update these bookmarks.

10. From the Nurse Consultant

- The Communicable Disease Control Plan for us and the school districts has been updated. Although the content is mostly the same, the front page is different and information from the CDC has been updated. You can find this plan on our webpage under Health Information, then BBP Communicable Disease Plan. Your school may wish to download a copy and replace the one in their office.
- The company that offers free EPI-Pens has changed their process. They now require that the person ordering the pens has a 2015 date stamped on the certificate of completion. To address this change; please have staff call and I will fax an acceptable document to the person at the school.
- The Medication Administration instruction has been completely revised. Please plan on talking with me and doing a quick run through on the presentation before you teach the class.

11. Principal Meeting

Below is a link to the Principal Health Services Request form. This form is used to help guide your meeting with the principal regarding health services for this school year. Please provide a copy for your principal(s) and return the signed copy to your supervisor by October 31.

[Principal Health Services Request form](#)