

KUSD Health Acuity Summary 2022-23

Kenosha County Public Health School Nurse Consultants

Vision: A school community with optimal health and educational opportunities

Mission: Public Health Nurse School Consultants leading the collaboration, health education, and support of the school community

Key Numbers from the School Year



nine school nurse consultants served **14,674** students – one nurse for every **1,630** students



School nurses created **839** emergency health plans, including **355** for life-threatening allergies



3,937 or **27%** of students had chronic health conditions requiring care coordination



School nurses taught a human growth and development family life curriculum to **4,944** students



Medicaid billing, requiring RN approval, completed for **26** students daily



Nurses delegated **1,439** medications to staff for administration during the school day



Nurses performed **2,594** vision screens on students, and referred **476** students for glasses



28,247 medication doses were administered during the school year



The school nurse team trained **1,170** staff on how to administer emergency medication to students

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Spotlight: Vision screening

An important task performed by KCPH school nurse consultants is vision screenings. As noted by the American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association, "healthy vision contributes to children's school readiness, ability to learn, overall healthy development and ability to reach motor developmental milestones."

During the 2022-23 school year, nurses performed 2,594 vision screens on students, and referred 476 students for glasses.



Of the 476 students referred, 112 were evaluated by a physician and received glasses if warranted. Our team goal is to increase the number of students evaluated by a physician by 10% for 23/24 school year.

Some other ways school nurse consultants spend their time

Health plans

For each student with an ongoing health issue, the school nurse consultant must talk through the health issue with parents, craft the health plan, and disperse the plan to the appropriate staff.

Diabetic student care

A significant amount of time is devoted to caring for diabetic students, through case management, education, and handling of health needs – an average of 30 minutes per student per day for 43 diabetic students in the 22/23 school year.

Medications

Nurses must input each medication into the tracking system, create the medication administration sheet, count medication upon receiving, and perform weekly medication counts on controlled substances.

Misc.

Additional duties include teaching family life classes, performing first responder training, evaluating and attending to injuries as they occur, doing phone consultations, educating parents, and documenting all tasks and medications administered.