



Hello North West Ohio Association of School Nurses:

Greetings and welcome to the school year 2011-2012. As always, BUT especially this year, we are glad to have all of you here and working as hard as I know you do in the schools. If any of you have not seen the article that columnist Kristi Ramsey wrote in the Cincinnati Enquirer on September 18th about school nurses, you should definitely take a look. It is a tribute to all you do and it is neat because it is written by someone who is not a school nurse.

Read it at <http://news.cincinnati.com/article/20110918/COL01/109180310/Ramsey-Kids-health-not-political-fodder>

Please come join us at our three school nurse mini conferences this year, The first conference, which includes dinner, will be Thursday, Oct 27th at the Toledo Hospital. Registration begins at 4:30. Our speaker will be Dr. Gene Izsac, who will be speaking to us on the topic of toxicology. Gene is the director of the Pediatric Emergency Services at Toledo Hospital; and spoke to us last year, He is returning by popular demand.

Thank you for all you do. See you at the conferences!

Colleen Ryan, NWOASN President

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You may have noticed that our website WWW.NWOASN.org is missing. Our previous webmaster (Julie Kolde) has given up the position and we are in the process of getting a new one. We hope to be up and running soon. If you have webmaster skills, or know someone that does, please contact Colleen Ryan at cmryan@bex.net. It would be a paid position, as before.

Officers for 2011-2012

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House Bill 1 changed Ohio law around administration of prescription medications in Ohio schools. Effective July 1, 2011, any school employee administering prescription medications in school must either be a licensed health professional or be trained by one.

In response to the need to train these school personnel, the Ohio Department of Health School and Adolescent Health-School Nursing Program has developed a training to meet this requirement. Information about this training is included in the two attachments accompanying this e-mail. The FAQs are also copied below.

*Medication Administration in Ohio Schools:
Training for School Personnel
FAQs*

1. What is the purpose of this training? The **purpose** or **goal** of this training is to provide designated employees who are not licensed health professionals (school personnel) administering medications in schools with the knowledge, skills and resources to safely administer medication prescribed for Ohio school children.

2. Does this training meet the requirements established in HB1 for medication administration in schools? Yes- at a minimum the training modules on the Medication Overview and Basic Guidelines would meet the HB1 requirements for training.

3. What is the content of this training? It is recommended that all school personnel administering medication be trained on the Medication Overview and Basic Guidelines. Districts may choose from the medication modules below to tailor the training to meet their needs:

Oral	Topical (skin)	Emergency medications
Inhaler	Ophthalmic (eye)	Epinephrine autoinjector (Epi-pen)
Nebulizer	Rectal	Glucagon injection
Nasal (nose)	Otic (ear)	Gastrostomy tube (G-Tube)
		Injection (subcutaneous)

4. What are the objectives for the training? After training, school personnel will be able to:

1. Identify the requirements of ORC 3313.713
2. Explain how federal confidentiality law (FERPA and HIPAA) effect medication administration in schools
3. Locate the local school district's medication administration policy
4. List the components of the local school district's medication administration policy
5. Tell the general procedures for administering medications in the school, including the six rights of medication administration
6. Successfully demonstrate selected medication administration procedures
7. Successfully pass the medication administration post-test

5. What is the cost? The Ohio Department of Health School and Adolescent Health-School Nursing Program provides this training at **no cost** to the school, licensed health professional or

school personnel.

6. How long does the training take? Two sections are recommended for all school personnel administering medication: the Medication Overview takes 90 minutes and the Basic Guidelines take 15 minutes. The Emergency Medication module takes 30 minutes and the Injection module lasts 15 minutes. The remainder of the modules each require 10 minutes or less of instructional time.

Thank you for your commitment to safeguard the health and academic success of Ohio school children!

*Medication Administration in Ohio Schools:
Training for School Personnel*
FAQs for Trainers

1. How do I become a trainer for *Medication Administration in Ohio Schools: Training for School Personnel*? A train-the-trainer course for school nurses and other licensed health professionals is available online through Ohio TRAIN at <https://oh.train.org>

2. What is the cost? The Ohio Department of Health School and Adolescent Health-School Nursing Program provides this training at **no cost** to the school, licensed health professional or school personnel.

3. What are the objectives for the train-the-trainer course? After training, the licensed health professional trainer will be able to:

- a) Explain the content of the *Medication Administration in Ohio Schools: Training for School Personnel*
- b) Name three characteristics of adult learners
- c) Describe best practices for teaching the *Medication Administration in Ohio Schools: Training for School Personnel*
- d) Successfully pass the *Medication Administration in Ohio Schools: Training for School Personnel* post-test

4. Who should take the training? Registration is open to all licensed health professionals who will be providing medication administration training in Ohio schools. While the target audience for this training is the school nurse, any licensed health professional may take the training. Contact hours towards nursing license renewal are available.

5. How do I register for and take the training? Licensed health professionals may register for the course by going to the Ohio TRAIN Web site at <https://oh.train.org>. To create a new Ohio TRAIN account, go to "Create Account" on the site and follow the directions. Once you have an account, search for this training by the course number **1026478** to register and take the course as well as to access the handouts and other resources.

6. When will this training be made available? May 2011.

North West Ohio Association of School Nurses
Board Meeting
August 26th , 2011
420 East Manhattan Blvd. Toledo Ohio

Members in attendance:

Colleen Ryan President via phone
Rhea Jagodzinski President-elect
Cathy Bazeley Treasurer
Maureen Knowles Secretary
Denise Kaufman OASN Representative
Laurie Gladieux Newsletter

President Colleen Ryan called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

Reports were given as follows:

President-elect

Dr. Gene Izsak will speak at the October meeting on Toxicology @ The Toledo Hospital. Box dinners will be served. Plans are being worked on for the winter and spring education programs.

Treasurer:

Cathy has met with Ann Bruening and the Certificates of Deposits in Jan Overmyer's name will need to be updated as to ownership and accessibility.

Membership:

Information re: membership renewals were handed out today at the TPS nurses meeting and will be emailed to all members. Ann has agreed to look into the role of webmaster.

Newsletter: Will update bylaws with the changes re: membership that the organization has voted on and passed in order to remain in alignment with OASN.

OASN Rep:

OASN member Lauren Brown is monitoring ongoing state legislation and updating the OASN board as necessary. The monies we have appropriated to OASN for legislative support in the past can be placed on hold for the time being.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:07 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

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Secretary