



## **Student - Series 3000**

### **Catheterization – 3417**

The Board authorizes that qualified staff provide for clean, intermittent bladder catheterization (CIC) of students or assisted self-catheterization in conformance to rules adopted by the state nursing commission.

Employees who are not licensed nurses and whose job descriptions do not require performing catheterizations may file a written statement of refusal to perform catheterizations. Refusal will not adversely affect the employees' job status or be grounds for dismissal.

Catheterization is permitted under the following conditions:

1. Parent, legal guardian, or other person having legal control over the student file a written, current, and unexpired request that the district provide for the catheterization of the student;
2. Licensed physician of the student file a written, current, and unexpired request that catheterization of the student be provided for during the hours when school is in session or the hours when the student is under the supervision of school officials.
3. A school nurse provide written, current, and unexpired instructions regarding catheterization which states the staff members that are designated to provide for catheterization and a description of the nature and extent of any supervision that is required.
4. A staff member who is authorized to provide for catheterization must receive training from a school nurse consistent with the rules of the state nursing commission. Licensed practical nurses are trained to provide catheterization as part of their professional preparation and are not subject to this training requirement.

The district and its staff and the staff member who provides for catheterization in substantial compliance with this policy and the rules of the state nursing commission shall not be liable in any criminal action or for civil damages arising from providing catheterization. The district may discontinue catheterization for a student without being liable provided that the affected parents/guardians are given advance oral/written notice and the district otherwise provides for the catheterization of the student to the extent required by state and federal law.

**Legal References:**

RCW 18.79.290  
RCW 28A.210.255

RCW 28A.210.280  
RCW 28A.210.290

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Catheterization of students – Rules  
Provision of health services in public and private schools –  
Employee job description  
Catheterization of public and private school students  
Catheterization of public and private school students – Immunity  
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Provision for clean, intermittent catheterization in schools

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