

**DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDERS/DO NOT ATTEMPT TO RESUSCITATE
(DNR/DNAR)**

Presentation of a Do not Resuscitate/Do not Attempt to Resuscitate Order to the District

The following criteria must be met when a DNR/DNRA Order for a student is presented to the District:

1. An original of the physician's order and the local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Do Not Resuscitate/Do Not Attempt to Resuscitate form must be completed by the physician and the parent/guardian and kept with the student as required proof of original DNR/DNAR. Photocopies or facsimiles should be kept in the student's health file. This order is renewed annually.
 - Recognized DNR/DNAR Options in New Hampshire
 - a) "P-DNR" (Portable DNR/DNAR) order: Statewide recognized pink document and/or wallet card written by a physician or advanced registered nurse practitioner
 - b) DNR/DNAR bracelet or necklace inscribed with the patient's name, date of birth, in numerical form and "NH DNR" or "NH Do Not Resuscitate" (or, "NH Do Not Attempt to Resuscitate" on it
 - c) "DNR/DNAR" order: Written by a physician at a nursing home, hospital, or other in-patient care setting.
 - d) "Port" (Physician Order Regarding Treatment): Accompanying patient from facility or in their home
2. When a student is 18 years of age or older, the DNR/DNAR authorization must be made by the student, unless custody of the student has been legally awarded to a guardian.

A DNR/DNAR order request presented to the school principal and the school nurse, will initiate the following procedures:

1. The Superintendent needs to be informed when the school has received a DNR/DNAR order.
2. Prior to receiving a DNR/DNAR order, a conference will be arranged with the parent/guardian, the local EMS providers, appropriate school staff, and health providers. A plan of care, which follows the physician's orders, will be developed and include goals, outcomes and delegation of care to be addressed in the student's Individualized Healthcare Plan (IHP). The healthcare plan will be written by the school nurse, in collaboration with the parent/guardian, and is to be reviewed at the beginning of each school year and as part of each IEP and/or 504 plan (if applicable) and updated as needed. All proceedings are to be documented in the student's health record. The IHP

will specify which life-sustaining/comfort measures procedures will be used by district personnel in the case of an emergency.

3. The physician's order and EMS DNR/DNAR form must be documented on the student's contact information and submitted to the school nurse. DNR/DNAR orders are to be reviewed at the beginning of each school year and as part of each IEP or 504 plan (if applicable).
4. Student confidentiality will be maintained as much as possible. Only school staff with a legitimate need-to-know will be informed of the DNR/DNAR order. The parent(s)/guardian(s) will be advised that anyone who is not directly informed about the DNR/DNAR order will otherwise follow Board policy and initiate resuscitation.
5. The school nurse will be responsible for ensuring that all staff members who are informed of the DNR order are trained to follow the expected procedures as delineated in the student's healthcare plan.

Procedures for Implementing a Do Not Resuscitate or Do Not Attempt to Resuscitate Order

If a student with a DNR/DNAR order suffers a cardiac or respiratory arrest at school, the following will be implemented:

1. The building medical code will be called
2. Activate Emergency Medical Services.
3. Contact the parent/guardian.
4. Isolate the student and maintain as normal as atmosphere as possible in the school or site. Provide comfort measures as outlined in the annual Individual Healthcare Plan.
5. Contact the physician who wrote the DNR/DNAR order.
6. When appropriate, the District Crisis Counseling Team will be activated to provide assistance at the school.

Revocation of a Do Not Resuscitate/Do Not Attempt to Resuscitate Order

The DNR/DNAR order may be revoked at any time by:

1. Physical destruction of the DNR/DNAR Order form with the written consent of the authorized decision-maker; or

2. For the purpose of this policy, the term “authorized decision-maker” shall be the student if he/she is 18 years of age or older, the staff member and a parent/guardian if the student is under 18 years of age.

Staff who have been informed about the original DNR/DNAR order will be informed of its revocation.

Record of the revocation will be made on the student’s health record.

Note: All students without valid DNR/DNAR documentation should be given full resuscitation efforts by school and pre-hospital personnel.

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