

## Students Nursing Services

### School Based Health Centers

**Purpose:**

To identify and treat illness or conditions that adversely impacts the educational process.

**Participants:**

All students in the Gadsden Independent School District.

**Process:**

1. Services may be provided via a School Based Health Center.
2. Services shall include but not be limited to EPSDT (Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment), sports physicals, acute care, referrals for specialty services, follow-up for chronic disease, arrangements for after-hour emergency calls, family planning services, evaluation and treatment of sexually transmitted infections, limited mental health, eligibility services, home-based outreach and education programs for students and parents. All services provided shall be confidential in nature and any records generated as a result of any services being rendered to students shall be confidential and not disclosed without prior written authorization, except as otherwise required by state and federal law.
3. Terms and conditions of services provided through the School Based Clinic shall be outlined in a cooperative agreement with providers. This Agreement shall be reviewed by GISD attorneys and approved by the board based on the time frame outlined in the cooperative agreement.

**Timeline:**

Implementation of this policy will continue throughout the school year.

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1. Chapter 24, NMSA 1978, Health & Safety/Article 1 Public Health.
  2. Chapter 32A NMSA 1978, Children's code/ Article 6, Mental Health & Developmental Disabilities