

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
CONCISE STATEMENT OF PROPOSED NON-TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS
(AMENDMENTS TO AN EXISTING REGULATION)

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-3(a)(1), the following is a concise statement of proposed non-technical amendments to the rules and regulations for School Health Programs (216-RICR-20-10-4).

Amendment Coordinates	Rationale/Summary of Change
§ 4.2:	Incorporates by reference the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health's Vision Screening Recommendations, cited in § 4.13(D).
§ 4.3:	Eliminates definitions that are not used in the regulations, including added sweetener, local education agency, and these regulations (the last of which has been replaced by “this Part”). Also removes the definition for “at school” which has been replaced by the definition for “school campus” (see note on § 4.3(A)(46) below).
§ 4.3(A)(7):	Creates definition for “certified school nurse.”
§§ 4.3(A)(9), (A)(12) (A)(56)(a), 4.5(D), 4.11.1(G), 4.13.8(B)(1), 4.14.4(B), 4.15.2(A), 4.27.1(A)(6), 4.41.4, 4.48(A)(5), and 4.48.1(D)(1):	Revises to correctly cite to RIDE regulations.
§ 4.3(A)(16):	Removes the word “actually” from definition of dating violence.
§ 4.3(A)(24):	Removes superfluous language.
§ 4.3(A)(32):	Removes superfluous language.
§ 4.3(A)(35):	Revises to include “health” in “mandated instructional health outcomes.”
§ 4.3(A)(37):	Creates definition for “Medical marijuana”
§ 4.3(A)(47):	Creates a definition for “school campus.” This term replaces “school grounds” wherever used in the regulations.
§ 4.3(A)(49):	Creates a definition for “school nurse.” The replacement of “certified school nurse-teacher” with “school nurse” is reflected throughout the regulations.
§ 4.4(B)(3)(a):	Adds citation to R.I. Gen. Laws § 16-21-7 and applicable RIDE regulations regarding competitive foods and beverages.
§ 4.4(C)(2) and (D), 4.9.3(A) and (D), 4.10.3(B)(2), 4.11.1(G), 4.11.2(B), 4.14.3(A) and (B), 4.14.4(B) through (D), 4.15.4(B), 4.16.1(A), 4.16.2(A), 4.18(A), 4.20(A)(5) and (B), 4.21.1(F), 4.21.2(A), 4.21.4(A) and (C)(2), 4.21.7(B), 4.24(B) and (C), 4.24.1(A) through (D), 4.24.2, and 4.24.3(A):	Adds certified school nurse to various provisions.
§ 4.4.1(A):	Implements citation to requirements of R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 40-11-3 regarding reporting of

abuse, neglect, or sexual abuse.

§ 4.4.1(D): Revises to require posting of DCYF's child abuse hotline telephone number.

§ 4.4.1: Removes superfluous reference to RIDOH's Pain Assessment regulations.

§ 4.4.3: Removes superfluous "in."

§§ 4.5(G) and (H), 4.7(A)(15)(b)(2), 4.9.3(A), 4.10.2(A)(3), 4.10.3(B)(6), 4.15.4(A), 4.22(B)(5), and 4.22.1(A): Revises "child," "children," or "pupil" to "student" or "students."

§§ 4.5(G), 4.6(A)(1), 4.8(A)(1), 4.9.3(B): Revises "grades Kindergarten-12" to "K through 12."

§ 4.6(A)(3): Revises to reference the Rhode Island Health Education Framework.

§ 4.7(A): Adds "and must be evidence based"

§ 4.7(A)(1) and (15)(a): Adds reference to law and includes providing information in mixing of opioids and alcohol in alignment with 2018 revision to R.I. Gen. Laws § 16-22-4.

§ 4.7(A)(7): Adds reference to law and meaning of consent in alignment with 2018 revision to R.I. Gen. Laws § 16-22-18(a).

§ 4.9.1(B)(1): Revises citation to account for new sections.

§§ 4.10.1(A)(6), 4.10.3(B)(5), and 4.21.3: Removes superfluous parentheses.

§ 4.10.2: Revises to cite to certification of school nurses under RIDE regulations.

§ 4.13: Updates vision screening requirements, including general requirements, distance visual acuity, near visual acuity, referral requirements, stereoacuity screening, and color vision deficiency screening in alignment with R.I. Gen. Laws § 16-21-14 and § 16-21-14.1

§§ 4.13.7 and 4.13.8: Revises to clarify requirements for personnel/training and follow-up/documentation.

§ 4.14.1(A): Revises pre-kindergarten to preschool.

§ 4.15.4: Revises heading to replace ampersand with "and."

§ 4.17.1(A)(1)(a): Allows licensed public health dental hygienist to perform dental screenings.

§ 4.17.1(B): Revises requirement for written documentation to contain information outlined by RIDOH.

§ 4.18.1(B): Adds parenthesis.

§ 4.21.1(E): Adds precise citation to § 4.21.1(D) of this Part.

§§ 4.21.4(C)(1) and 4.21.7(C)(5): Replaces "i.e." and "e.g." with "such as" and "also known as."

§ 4.21.4(A): Revises citation to account for new sections.

§ 4.21.9(A): Requires private schools and elementary schools to develop policies and procedures for maintenance of a supply of opioid antagonists in the school setting.

§ 4.21.9(A)(1): Adds other school personnel to be immune from liability for ordinary negligence for acts of omissions relating to opioid antagonists.

§ 4.22(B)(3): Removes superfluous language.

§ 4.23: Implements requirements for medical marijuana and CBD oil administration.

§§ 4.24(B), 4.24(B)(1), and 4.24(C): Revises citations to account for new sections.

§ 4.24.2: Revises to cite to exemption in § 4.2.5 of this Part.

§ 4.26(B)(1): Revises to correct citation due to addition of new sections.

§ 4.27.1(A)(4) and 4.28(A)(5): Revises to reference R.I. Gen. Laws § 16-21-5.1.

§ 4.35(A)(1)(c): Revises to correctly cite to RIDEM regulations.

§ 4.39: Revises to correctly cite to RIDOH regulations.

§ 4.41.3(A)(2): Revises to reference R.I. Gen. Laws § 16-21-23.

§ 4.41.4(A)(2): Revises to correctly cite RIDE regulations

§ 4.47: Revises to use consistent term for RIDE.