



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Health and Human Services
Department of Public Health
250 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108-4619

COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL HEALTH GRANT ASSURANCES (Updated 10/09/18)

SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME:

We support the development of the school health service program in the nine areas described in the RFR:

- a) strengthening the program infrastructure,
- b) implementing a comprehensive health education program that addresses all aspects of health including substance use, chronic disease prevention, reproductive health, and behavioral health using trauma- and resilience-informed approaches,
- c) providing a case management model for coordination of care in the school setting that addresses chronic health conditions, including behavioral, oral, reproductive and other needed health services,
- d) conducting community health assessments that address racial inequities and health disparities in the student population,
- e) providing a sustained "Bridge" (re-entry) program for students returning to academics after an extended absence,
- f) providing services that are community-based and culturally and linguistically relevant meaning they address racial inequities and health disparities as appropriate,
- g) maintaining of a management information system,
- h) establishing a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) program,
- i) collaborating with the entire school community, families, and community partners as appropriate in order to provide comprehensive school and community-based programming.

We agree to the following assurances:

- ✓ A full-time school nursing manager will be appointed. They will meet the requirements as described in the Request for Response scope of services and the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education requirements.
- ✓ We agree to support the leadership role of our designated school nursing manager. They will be a participating member of the senior administrative management team and have responsibility and authority for the entire school health service program and CSHS budget as defined by this community model.
- ✓ We agree to adhere to the guidelines in the DPH School Health Manual.
- ✓ We agree to complete programmatic and financial reporting requirements by the dates due. We agree to participate in all project evaluations. The Department will provide survey tools and required data forms for monthly activities and annual reporting.
- ✓ We will report performance measure data to DPH monthly and annually, as appropriate.
- ✓ We will be an active participant in Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) projects.
- ✓ Superintendents (or directors of boards of health as appropriate), school nurse managers, and other school personnel, as indicated, of the awarded school districts will attend an orientation meeting and other ongoing meetings scheduled periodically by the Department (Any fees for such program are the responsibility of the school district; grant funds can be used to pay these expenses.)
- ✓ School districts must develop a plan for assuring sustainability of the school nurse manager position. If the grant funding is used to assume the initial cost of this position, this funding must decrease until the school district's responsibility reaches 100% of the financial responsibility for this position within 3 years in order for the grant renewal options to be exercised.

This assurance form is required to be submitted to MDPH whenever there is a change in Superintendent or School Committee Chairperson.

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| Superintendent | Date | School Nurse Manager/School Nurse | Date |
| School Committee Chairperson | Date | School Business Administrator | Date |

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