



## **HEALTH SERVICES GUIDELINES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS**

Massachusetts General Laws C.71 S. 54B and Department of Public Health Regulations 105 CMR 210.000 permit schools to give non-prescription medication to a student. In such cases, *an order from a licensed prescriber and parental permission is required*. Quincy Public Schools have a physician “standing order” for the medications listed on the following page to be administered to students on an “as needed” basis. An order from your child’s licensed prescriber, therefore, is not required in this situation.

If a student needs to take over-the-counter medication at school, **not covered** by the “standing order”, he/she must follow the policy for **prescription medication** and obtain a physician’s order along with a completed parental consent form.

A student will be given Ibuprofen and Tylenol for mild to moderate pain due to complaints of headache, menstrual cramps, orthodontic discomfort, etc. If a student has a temperature greater than 100.1 degrees, the school nurse will be calling home for the child to be dismissed. Based on an individual assessment completed by your school nurse, you may be called to dismiss your child if additional complicating symptoms exist.

The following items are routinely used by the school nurse to treat students as needed. Please review the list and contact your school nurse if your child has an allergy or known contraindication to any product.

### **Items used in Health Office**

**Alcohol 70%**

**Vaseline ointment, Aloe-Vera gel**

**Bacitracin, Neosporin, Triple Antibiotic ointment**

**Oral gel – Anbesol/Oragel/Orasol**

**Soaps – hand soaps, antibacterial**

**Calamine lotion**

**Cough/Throat lozenges**

**Hydrocortisone ointment**

**Hydrogen Peroxide**

**Bactine**

**Blistex**

**First Aid Cream**

Please sign and return the attached parental consent as soon as possible. **No medication will be given without written parental consent.**

Thank you,

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Your School Nurse

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Telephone