

TITLE: Homebound/Hospital Services

1. Students who, due to injury or for any other reason as certified in writing by a licensed physician or other licensed health care provider are temporarily confined to home or hospital for a period that has lasted or will last more than three consecutive weeks shall receive home/hospital services. The written statement must include:

- A. the specific reasons the student must remain at home or in the hospital; and
- B. the criteria or conditions under which the student can return to school, and the expected date of such return.

2. A written statement by a licensed physician or other licensed health care provider must be resubmitted every six months if a student's temporary home/hospital instruction is prolonged.

3. The Board of Education may require that the parent/guardian obtain an opinion from a second health care provider at the expense of the county board.

4. Home/hospital services must be designed to provide the student adequate opportunity to continue learning toward mastery of grade level content standards and objectives. The schedule for home/hospital services must include adequate instructional time and be provided at a location when a responsible adult in addition to the teacher is present.

5. Home/hospital teachers are responsible for facilitating instruction on the core courses' content standards and objectives as guided by the student's classroom teacher(s); consequently, the home/hospital teacher must be in regular contact with the classroom teacher(s) to:

- A. secure and understand units/lessons, instructional plans and instructional materials, and
- B. establish procedures for the collection and return of student work to the classroom teacher(s) for assessment.

6. Home/hospital services, provided for an exceptional student who is unable to attend school temporarily because of an injury, illness or health condition requires a change in the student's placement to Out-of-School Environment (hereinafter OSE) as defined by W. Va. 125CSR16, WVBE Policy 2419, Regulations for the Education of Exceptional

Students (hereinafter Policy 2419), Section 5.1.5.g.E. The change of placement to OSE must be addressed by the student's IEP team and implemented in accordance with the requirements of Policy 2419.

7. Home/hospital services may also be provided temporarily at the direction of the county superintendent for students who have not met the immunization requirements of W. Va. Code §16-3-4.

Legal Authority: West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2419

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