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Students

Orders to Forgo Life-Sustaining Treatment

Written orders from ~~parent(s)/guardian(s)~~parents/guardians to forgo life-sustaining treatment for their child ~~or ward~~ must be signed by the ~~child's~~student's physician and given to the Superintendent. This policy shall be interpreted in accordance with the Illinois Health Care Surrogate Act, 755 ILCS 40/.

Whenever an order to forgo life-sustaining treatment is received, the Superintendent shall convene a multi-disciplinary team that includes:

1. The childstudent, when appropriate;
- ~~1. The child's parent(s)/guardian(s);~~
2. The student's parents/guardians;
- ~~2.3.~~ Other medical professionals, e.g., licensed physician, physician's assistant, or nurse practitioner;
- ~~3.4.~~ Local first responders for the building in which the childstudent is assigned to attend school;
- ~~4.5.~~ The school nurse;
- ~~5.6.~~ Clergy, if requested by the childstudent or his or her ~~parent(s)/parents/guardians(s);~~
- ~~6.7.~~ Other individuals to provide support to the childstudent or his or her ~~parent(s)/guardian(s);parents/guardians;~~ and
- ~~7.8.~~ School personnel designated by the Superintendent.

The team shall determine guidelines to be used by school staff members in the event the child suffers a life-threatening episode at school or a school event.

~~The~~ District personnel shall convey orders to forgo life-sustaining treatment to the appropriate emergency or healthcare provider.

LEGAL REF.: Health Care Surrogate Act, 755 ILCS 40/
Cruzan v. Director, Missouri Dept. of Health, 497 U.S. 261 (1990).
In re: C.A., a minor, ~~603 N.E.2d 1171 (236 Ill.App.1,3d 594 (1st Dist. 1992).~~

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