

## **PROTOCOL FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES**

**Purpose:** The mission of Manatee County's School Health Program is to keep the students of Manatee County healthy, in school and ready to learn. Services are provided in accordance with Manatee County's School Health Services Plan (pursuant to section 381.0056, Florida Statutes) jointly developed by the county health department, school district, school health advisory committee and other public/private partners.

Within the school setting, program activities are managed and/or provided by the professional School Nurse (RN). These activities include but are not limited to the provision of emergency care for illness or injury at school, health screening, the training, health record review and referral to health care providers, referral follow-up, and health education. The School Nurse (RN) provides appropriate training to clinic staff and unlicensed assistive personnel (UAP's), and provides continued monitoring of any delegated tasks. The School Nurse also serves as a resource for health-related issues in the school setting.

*Supportive Data: Florida School Health Administrative Guidelines (2017); School Health Services Protocols for Manatee County Schools (2011); Selekman, Janice - School Nursing: A Comprehensive Text (2006)*