

COLORADO CODE OF REGULATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES
BOARD OF NURSING

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8. DELEGATION OF INSULIN AND GLUCAGON ADMINISTRATION IN THE
SCHOOL SETTING AND LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITY

8.1 The injection of insulin or glucagon is a nursing task that may be delegated in accordance with the requirements of these Chapter XIII rules. The selection of the type of insulin and dosage levels shall not be delegated.

8.2 An IHP shall be developed for any Client receiving insulin in the School or Licensed Child Care Facility setting. Delegation of tasks for Clients with diabetes shall be confined to procedures that do not require nursing assessment, judgment, evaluation or complex skills.

A. By example, but not limited to the following list, the IHP may include:

- i. Carbohydrate counting
- ii. Glucose testing
- iii. Activation or suspension of an insulin pump
- iv. Usage of insulin pens
- v. Medical orders
- vi. Emergency protocols related to glucagon administration

8.3 Insulin injection by the Delegatee shall only occur when the Delegatee has followed the guidelines of the IHP.

A. Dosages of insulin may be injected by the Delegatee as designated in the IHP.

B. Non-routine, correction dosages of insulin may be given by the Delegatee only after:

- i. Following the guidelines of the IHP; and
- ii. Consulting with the Delegator, parent or guardian, as designated in the IHP, and verifying and confirming the type and dosage of insulin being injected.

C. Under Section 8.3, insulin injection by the Delegatee is limited to a specific Delegatee,

for a specific Client and for a specific time.

8.4 When the Delegator determines that the Client is capable of self-administration, as documented in the IHP, the Delegator may delegate to the Delegatee as designated in the IHP the verification of insulin dosage via pump or injection.

8.5 When the Client is not capable of self-administration, routine daily meal boluses of insulin, based on carbohydrate counts and blood glucose levels, may be injected via the insulin pump by the Delegatee as designated in the IHP.