Re: TB School Regulations

The Tuberculosis Risk Assessment Questionnaire will be required for students coming from outside of orange county and new to the Anaheim Union High School District in grades seven through twelve.

If a TB skin test is determined to be required following the TB risk assessment questionnaire, the student will be referred to their medical provider to obtain a Tuberculin Skin Test or blood test. If those results are positive, the student will be required to obtain a lung x-ray which must be interpreted by a physician. Further course of action will be determined by the physician and/or Public Health Department. For example, if being treated for TB, the student will be excluded from school until cleared by a medical note. If being treated for Latent Tuberculosis Infection (LTBI), then the student may attend school. If there are symptoms of TB during the period of waiting for the lung x-ray results or treatment of LTBI, the student will be excluded from school.

A TB skin test may be delayed for up to six weeks if the child received live vaccines or had chicken pox. The student shall be conditionally enrolled during this six-week period. The child will be excluded if there are active symptoms of TB or if documentation of a TST is not received at the end of this waiting period. Live vaccines can be given at the same time as the TST.

A student who has not submitted the TB risk assessment or TST may be conditionally admitted provided that the student provides a TB risk assessment certificate or TST results within 10 school days after admission. A student who has a positive skin test and no symptoms of active TB and has not subsequently obtained a lung x-ray, may be conditionally admitted provided that they received a lung x-ray within 20 school days after admission and pending results. Any student who fails to provide the required documentation or presents with active TB symptoms within those time periods shall be prohibited from further attendance until the student provides the appropriate documentation.

Any child who leaves Orange County to visit or reside elsewhere for twelve months or longer must present documentation of a TB risk assessment questionnaire certificate completed within the last twelve months before re-enrolling.

McKinney Vento students shall be conditionally enrolled for a period of 30 days if determined to need a TST. The child will be excluded if there are active symptoms of TB.

Special education students cannot be excluded from enrolling and attending school for lack of TST. The child will be excluded if there are active symptoms of TB.

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