

Pediculosis (head lice) is a nuisance condition and appropriate measures shall be taken to control the spread of lice infestations within the schools. Head lice control depends upon prompt identification, proper administrative handling of each case, effective treatment and prevention of its spread.

The lice management program shall be under the direction of the administrative assistants, nurse serving the school and the building principal. Individuals will be assigned within each school to assist in implementing the lice management program. It shall be the responsibility of the nurse serving the school to provide adequate training to the assigned individuals on (1) how to check a student's head if he/she is demonstrating symptoms of head lice, (2) the importance and difficulty of correctly identifying an active head lice infestation, and (3) appropriate treatment options.

Specific procedures shall be developed for the management of head lice in the schools that include parent and guardian notification, treatment instructions, and parent and guardian responsibilities. Mass lice screenings will be conducted only if determined necessary by the building principal or designee, after consultation with the nurse serving the school and/or the medical advisor serving the District.

The lice management program and related procedures shall be reviewed periodically to ensure that they are meeting the needs of the school district and its families and are following best practice.

Legal Ref:

Sections 118.125, 118.15(3)(a), 121.02 (1)(i), 146.81 – 146.84 – Wisc. Statutes

DHS 145.07(1), PI 8.01(2)(g) – Wisc. Admin Code

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 - Federal Laws & Regulations

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