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Students with PANS are medically fragile. As such, students with PANS may be absent from school more for more than 9 consecutive days and may require Home Bound instruction. Home Bound Instruction is considered the most restrictive placement. Students with PANS may require this placement when a) they are too sick to attend school for extended periods b) require a non-infections environment that the school can't provide. Instruction is designed to ensure the continuity of educational services between school and home placement. The goal is to facilitate the return to the school setting, as it is a temporary placement.

Excerpt from CT Homebound Regulations

(All States will vary from some degree)

BofE shall provide Homebound “instruction to a child in public schools”... “when such child is unable to attend school due to a verified medical reason”

The physician’s statement must state: “That the child’s treating physician has consulted with the school health supervisory personnel and has determined that attendance at school with reasonable accommodations is not feasible;” and that “the child will be absent from school for at least 10 consecutive days or that the child’s condition is such that the child may be required to be absent for short, repeated periods of time during the school year”

The physician’s statement must state: “That the child’s treating physician has consulted with the school health supervisory personnel and has determined that attendance at school with reasonable accommodations is not feasible”

Resource Links

Connecticut

CT SDE-Subject Matter Of Regulation: Special Education

<http://www.cga.ct.gov/2012/rrdata/pr/2012REG2012-046A-RC.PDF>

CT SDE Bureau of SPED Legal Forum on Homebound Instruction and 504 Planning (2014)

<http://ctserc.org/initiatives/leadership/Berchem,%20Moses%20&%20Devlin.pdf?2fa6f942252db2ec6c621fe255459617=cf0a93be5cf8a8062aa410dbf78d095b>

The CT SDE adopted new regulations, which went into effect on July 1, 2013.

All school nurses, school medical advisors and school personnel should be aware of the new language and requirements of the regulations.

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Massachusetts

Mass Dept of Elementary and Secondary Education

Question and Answer Guide on the Implementation of Educational Services in the Home or Hospital - 603 CMR 28.03(3)(c) and 28.04(4)

http://www.doe.mass.edu/pqa/ta/hhep_qa.html

The Massachusetts regulation requiring educational services in the home or hospital is 603 CMR 28.03(3)(c).

Upon receipt of a physician's written order verifying that any student enrolled in a public school or placed by the public school in a private setting must remain at home or in a hospital on a day or overnight basis, or any combination of both, for medical reasons and for a period of not less than fourteen school days in any school year, the principal shall arrange for provision of educational services in the home or hospital. Such services shall be provided with sufficient frequency to allow the student to continue his or her educational program, as long as such services do not interfere with the medical needs of the student. The principal shall coordinate such services with the Administrator for Special Education for eligible students. Such educational services shall not be considered special education unless the student has been determined eligible for such services, and the services include services on the student's IEP.

Maine

Maine Unified Special Education Regulation Birth to Age Twenty

<http://www.maine.gov/doe/specialed/laws/chapter101.pdf>

New Hampshire

NH DOE - Ed 1111.05 Home Instruction for School-Aged Children

http://education.nh.gov/instruction/special_ed/documents/fy15_memo_14_home_instruction.pdf

Rhode Island

RI BOE Regulations Governing The Education of Children with Disabilities-300.115(C) Continuum of special education program placement: homebound and hospital instructional programs

<http://sos.ri.gov/documents/archives/regdocs/released/pdf/DESE/7377.pdf>

Vermont

Vermont Agency of Education - 1252 Instruction for Homebound and Hospitalized Students

http://education.vermont.gov/documents/1100_1200.pdf