

# THE SCHOOL NURSE BULLETIN

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Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE)

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## **New School Nurse Workshop**

Wednesday, December 5, 2018 & Thursday, December 6, 2018 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Red Lion Hotel, Cromwell 100 Berlin Road, Cromwell, CT 06416

Presented by: Stephanie Knutson, Education Consultant, CSDE & Other CT School Nurses

This professional learning opportunity, designed specifically for school nurses, will provide an overview of legal requirements, standards of practice and competencies for school nurses, supervisory issues, and the school nurse's role in student achievement, special education, and academic success.

Participants will learn state laws and regulations regarding school health; state mandates for immunizations, health assessments, and screenings; documentation in school health services; special education and Section 504; and academic achievement issues related to school health.

Audience: School nurses, school nurse supervisors, directors of special education/pupil services, school medical advisors, and other school staff

Cost: \$225.00 per person (Includes light breakfast and lunch)

!! Register Here !!

Questions: Please call 203-238-1207 x 1 or email Virginia@ctnurses.org



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## **National Prescription Drug Take Back Day:**

## **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27**

The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications. Efforts to prevent accidental overdose and prescription drug misuse are preventive health priorities of the Healthy CT 2020: State Health Improvement Coalition. Please share this information with community partners and colleagues.

- DEA's next Prescription Drug Take Back Day is October 27, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Click Here to: Locate a Collection Site Near You
- Search by zip code or city/state to find a collection site near you.

# **Professional Development Opportunities**

# Person-Centered Planning: The Various Options to Secure Positive Student Outcomes Free: Regional Sessions for Educators and Families!

Whether you're a parent or an educator from elementary to high school, you may have many questions about future plans for your students with disabilities. Person-Centered Planning helps guide students and the adults supporting them in answering some of these questions:

- What is my vision for a good year/life?
- How am I going to overcome barriers that I may face?
- What activities and/or services do I need to have to be successful in achieving my goals?
- What do I want to do when I finish school?

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE), the RESC Alliance, and the State Education Resource Center (SERC) invite families/parents of students with disabilities and educators to learn about a variety of Person-Centered Planning options, including an introduction to Charting the LifeCourse: A New Universal Person-Centered Planning Process. Register at the following locations.

- LEARN, Old Lyme | Monday, November 19, 2018 | Register Here
- EASTCONN, Hampton | Wednesday, November 28, 2018 | Register Here
- ACES, Hamden | Thursday, November 29, 2018 | Register Here
- CES, Trumbull | Monday, January 28, 2019 | Register Here
- CREC, Hartford | Tuesday, January 29, 2019 | Register Here
- EdAdvance, Litchfield | Tuesday March 5, 2019 | Register Here

#### Registration questions:

Contact Linda Adorno, SERC at 860-632-1485, ext 241 or adorno@ctserc.org

# **Professional Development Opportunities, cont'd**

## **Bug Busting in Early Care and Education Settings**

The purpose of this e-learning is to educate early educators and health professionals about managing infectious diseases in group care settings for children and motivate them to adopt the recommended practices of the American Academy of Pediatrics. This course is a tool that can be used by healthcare professionals, public health educators, child care health consultants, child care providers, parents and guardians.

## **Learning Objectives:**

After completing this course, you will be able to:

- 1. Describe the role of teachers/caregivers in preventing and managing infectious diseases
- 2. Conduct daily health checks
- 3. Describe and plan to use techniques to **prevent** the spread of infectious diseases by measuring and analyzing the frequency of infectious diseases.
- 4. Plan to utilize techniques to **control** the spread of infectious diseases in early education programs, such as policy change, checklists, etc.
- 5. Recognize signs & symptoms for exclusion from group settings and return to group settings.

<u>Early education and child care course participants, please click here for instructions on registering and accessing online courses, and viewing certificate(s) of completion</u>

#### Archived Webinars from the Connecticut HPV Immunization Partners

- School Nurses' Role within HPV Vaccine Uptake: A Model for Interprofessional Collaboration
- HPV Quality Improvement: Small-Scale Efforts for Practice Transformation
- HPV Vaccination as Cancer Prevention: Give It a Shot (or 2)
- Perspectives on Vaccine Hesitancy (Registration required)
- How HPV Causes Cancer and Why it Still Matters
- HPV-Associated Oropharyngeal Cancer and Survivors' Experience of Treatment-Related Toxicity
- You Are the Key: Best Practices in HPV Cancer Prevention

For additional information, or questions about accessing these webinars, please contact Maggie Litwin, Southwestern AHEC, Inc. at 203-372-5503 ext. 12, 203-726-0061 or <a href="militwin@swctahec.org">militwin@swctahec.org</a>.



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