



Health Services

Vagus Nerve Stimulation Emergency Care Plan

Vagus nerve stimulation (VNS) is designed to prevent seizures by sending regular, mild pulses of electrical energy to the brain via the vagus nerve.

If You See This	Do This
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convulsions/Seizures • Unresponsive/Loss of consciousness 	<p><u>Stay with student, keep student calm/quiet</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call 911 2. Follow seizure protocol 3. Send for Nurse and state student's name 4. Lay student on their right side facing you 5. Locate the Vagus Nerve Stimulator generator on the left side of their chest 6. Swipe the magnet diagonally over the generator while counting "1-2-3" 7. Wait 60 seconds and swipe generator with magnet 8. If seizure continues after second swipe of the magnet 9. Notify Administration 10. Nurse /Administration will notify Parent/Guardian

An **Emergency Care Plan (ECP)** is a plan that gives specific steps for school staff to take when a student has a medical emergency. The plan contains a short definition of the condition, signs and symptoms of the health condition that are emergent and a written step-by-step instruction that outlines what school staff should do for that emergency. Skyward provides information regarding the student's medical condition and parental/guardian's contact information. Health Conditions and ECPs are to remain confidential. Please keep in a secure location and not out in the open.

- We ask that teachers familiarize themselves with the ECPs that are applicable to students' health condition/s in their class. Ask privately:
 1. If the student uses emergency medication/s
 2. If the student keeps emergency medication/s with them
 3. If the student keeps emergency medication/s in the schools' clinic
- Fill out the Student Health Condition List. Print out as many as needed or one per class period.
- Leave the Student Health Condition List and ECPs pertinent to current health conditions in the substitute teacher folders in a secure location
- Ask the school nurse to meet in order to answer any questions on student's health condition or to provide training on emergency medication/s