Home Hospital Instruction

Purpose: To <u>provide students who are unable to attend school</u> for at least four weeks and a maximum of 18 weeks, <u>temporary intervention</u>; as a result of a physical and/or mental disability or illness. Weeks of absences may be <u>consecutive or intermittent</u> but may not exceed the 18-week limit.

• This program does not provide tutoring to students caring for an infant or a relative who is ill. **How to Request Services:** Obtain the signature of a qualified medical practitioner, a diagnosis, and an estimate of the number of weeks the student will be out of school on the Attachment E, Request for Home Hospital Instruction form.

www.k12.wa.us/HealthServices/homehospital.aspx

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Purpose: To <u>eliminate discrimination</u> on the basis of handicap <u>in any program or activity</u> receiving Federal financial assistance.

Definition: A written plan that describes the educational and related aids and services needed for a school-aged student (with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities) to receive a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE).

Referral process: Any person can refer a student for evaluation. Parent or guardian signs the Consent for Evaluation. The district determines whether to proceed with the evaluation and a team makes decisions regarding the evaluation and placement of students.

http://www.psesd.org/UserFiles/File/Special_Services/504ManualFinal.doc

McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

Purpose: To ensure educational rights and protections for children and youth experiencing <u>homelessness</u> by removing barriers to education.

Definition:

- (a) Sharing housing due to economic hardship or loss of housing;
- (b) Living in "motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camp grounds due to lack of alternative accommodations"
- (c) Living in "emergency or transitional shelters"
- (d) "Awaiting foster care placement"
- (e) Primary nighttime residence is not ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation (e.g. park benches, etc)
- (f) Living in "cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations..."
- * Unaccompanied Youth are young people who have run away from home, been thrown out of their homes, and/or been abandoned by parents or guardians. They are not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.

Referral Process: The student or parent contacts the school McKinney-Vento staff. Eligibility is determined and the child or youth are provided resources.

For a referral to services please contact:

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