

Talking Points for Parents and Caregivers

Use these talking points when communicating with families about the changes.

Health Suite Staffing

- DC Health will staff and manage all health suites starting SY 2025–2026.
- Nurses and health professionals will now be directly employed and supervised by DC Health.

Medication and Emergency Care

- School staff will be trained by DC Health to administer medication and respond to medical emergencies, including asthma, seizures, and allergic reactions.
- DC Health will supply schools with emergency medications (e.g., epinephrine, albuterol, glucagon).

Immunization Support

- DC Health will continue to train Immunization Points of Contact (IPOCs) within schools.
- At least one designated school staff member will be identified to support compliance.

Continuity and Support

- DC Health is committed to ensuring a smooth transition and maintaining high-quality care.
- Additional updates will be shared before SY 2025–2026 begins.

Appreciation

- We sincerely thank Children’s School Services for their many years of dedicated support to DC students and families.

Questions?

- Please direct families to your school’s main office or have them contact shs.program@dc.gov for assistance.