



THE BRITISH
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
ABU DHABI
A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL

School Clinic & Health Policy



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The following information outlines some of the important policies governing the clinical and nursing care functions of the School Clinic. The primary roles undertaken by the School Clinic are as follows:

- Provide first aid or emergency care to sick or injured students.
- Assess students, to detect early signs and symptoms of health problems, which will affect learning.
- Monitor and maintain growth and development of students.
- Administer nursing care appropriate to the identified nursing needs of the students.
- Plan, implement and evaluate health education programme for students.
- Plan, implement and evaluate vaccination programmes for all the students in the School, under the supervision of School Health Services.
- Maintain and submit required records and reports as per HAAD guidelines.

If you have any queries relating to clinical administration, please feel free to contact the Clinic Nurse Manager, Mrs Amy Masson on 02 5100103 or school.nurse@bisad.ae.

Policy on Accident and Emergencies

- School Nurse or School personnel shall notify the parents or guardians in the event of accidents and/or cases of emergencies. Please make sure that all your details are updated with the school so that we can contact you in an emergency.
- School Nurse shall ensure that the parents or guardians have authorized the administration of emergency medical treatment for the sick or injured students, prior to transferring them to the emergency care facility.

Policy on Medication

- Medication brought in from home, will not be administered without a written prescription from the doctor. This includes all over the counter medication such as Paracetamol.
- All medications shall be stored in their original pharmacy or manufacturer labelled containers, and in such manner as to render them safe and effective.



- A parent, guardian or a designated responsible adult will deliver the prescription medications to the School Nurse. Please do not leave it with the class teacher.
- The student shall only take the medication under the supervision of the School Nurse.

Policy on Sickness

- It is school policy that students who have a fever measuring 37.7 and above, are vomiting or diagnosed as clinically unwell by our school nursing team will not, under any circumstances be permitted to travel home by school bus. They are required to be collected by a parent or guardian. This policy must be adhered to under all circumstances.
- BIS AD policy also states that students are to remain at home for 24 hours post discharge from school with a fever of 37.7 or higher. In order to return to school, your child must remain fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever – reducing medications, i.e. Paracetamol.

Policy on Immunisation

- Scheduled vaccination programs will take place for students in year 1 and year 11 in line with The Health Authority guidelines. Consent forms will be distributed for those wishing to partake.
- Parents are required to submit applicable vaccination documents to the School Nurse for recording purposes. Vaccination records MUST BE IN ENGLISH or officially translated into English. Please see the attached 'Medical and Vaccination Record and Consent Declaration' form.
- School Nurse shall maintain the cumulative School Health Records on all enrolled students, and enforce HAAD regulations and guidelines pertaining to Vaccinations.
- Policy on Referral to Health Care Providers.
For students who require further medical intervention, the school nurse will provide a referral notification document to the parent.



Confidentiality Policy

- Information in the student's School Health Record will not be released to third parties, except with written permission from the parents or guardians, or a directive from HAAD or other ministries.

Forms and Declarations

The following forms/documents/declarations are required to be submitted to the School Clinic, through the Admission Office, prior to the child's commencement at BIS Abu Dhabi.

- Personal Information / Medical History / Immunisation declaration
- Consent for the Administration of Medications
- Consent for Emergency Treatment
- Consent for School Health Screening
- Infection Control Policy
- Dietary Information
- Copy of updated vaccination card, in English or translated into English.
- The 'Medical and Immunisation Record and Consent Declaration' form is attached to this policy. Parents or guardians are asked to detach and complete the form, and submit it to the admissions team as part of their acceptance of an offer for a place in the school. Your child's place at the school will not be guaranteed if you do not submit required medical forms and documentation.

Communications and Updates from the School Clinic

As and when it is appropriate, parents or guardians may receive the following notifications from the School Nurse:

- Notification of Head Lice
- Notification of communicable Diseases
- Vaccination Information to Parents
- Other general illness or injury notifications