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Los Angeles Unified School District
Medical Services Division

TO: Principals
School Nurses
Licensed Vocational Nurses
School Physicians

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SUBJECT: STUDENT POOL USE ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES AND DISTRICT SPONSORED ACTIVITIES

This communication provides **interim** guidance on student pool use while Bulletin 1454.1, *Maintaining Aquatic Safety in Schools Having Swimming Schools*, is under revision.

For aquatic sports participants, an annual pre-participation examination (PPE) is required per California Interscholastic Athletic Federation guidelines, as outlined in Bulletin 4948.3, [Medical Clearance and Return to Learn \(RTL\)/Return to Play \(RTP\) Guidelines for Students Participating in Interscholastic Athletics and Select Auxiliary Units](#).

For general, non-sports pool use, parents/guardians must complete the [Physical Education Aquatics Swimming Program Acknowledgement Form](#) (page 1 of form). For students with specific health needs, a licensed health care provider must complete the [Licensed Health Care Provider Physical Education Aquatic Program Medical Clearance Form](#) (page 2 of form). School personnel must follow the health care provider's guidance.

For questions regarding students with specific health care needs, please contact the District Nursing Services Branch at DistrictNursing@lausd.net.

For questions regarding students with IEPs needing accommodations for pool use, please contact the Division of Special Education at 213-241-6701.

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