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1. POLICY

The ultimate responsibility for diabetes management rests with the family and the child. The ultimate goal of diabetes management within the school setting is when possible, to have the child be independent in managing his/her diabetes. The school role is to provide **support** as the child moves from dependence to independence and to create a supportive environment in which this transition can occur. This independence includes the specific management of diet, activity, medication (insulin) and blood sugar testing, as required. Independence of care also includes the development of self-advocacy skills and a circle of support among persons who understand the disease and can provide assistance as needed.

The school diabetes management program will include a basic understanding of diabetes, training of staff (as required), emergency procedures, description of roles and responsibilities and available resources.