

Additional/Alternative Supports Available

Child/Youth in Crisis	⇒	Contact parents See "Children and Youth In Serious Crisis? Guide to Educators" from Huron-Perth Centre
Child Welfare	⇒	Huron-Perth Children's Aid Society (HPCAS) 519-271-5290, 1-800-668-5094
Communicable Diseases	⇒	See Guide to Communicable Diseases for Schools in Perth County, www.pdhu.on.ca Health Line - 519-271-7600, ext 267 Listowel area residents call - 1-877-271-7348, ext 267
First Aid	⇒	Your designated First Aid Staff member
Family and/or Dating Violence	⇒	HPCAS - 519-271-5290, 1-800-668-5094 Optimism Place - 519-271-5550, 1-800-265-8698
Head Lice	⇒	Health Line - 519-271-7600, ext 267 Listowel area residents call - 1-877-271-7348, ext 267
Additional community supports	⇒	www.informationperth.ca www.pdhu.on.ca Health Line - 519-271-7600, ext 267 Listowel area residents call - 1-877-271-7348, ext 267

Confidentiality

All SBPHN Support Services are confidential. Relevant information can be shared with the school or other agencies only with consent from the parent/guardian and/or the student. In accordance with the Child and Family Services Act, any educator or SBPHN learning first-hand about abuse, neglect or threat of harm to self or others, must report same to the appropriate authorities. SBPHNs will follow the relevant policies and procedures of the PDHU.

Collection of Information

Nurses are required to document interactions, such as those with students, families, doctors, other care providers, community agency personnel and educators.

This means when school staff provide information that is relevant to a student's care, the information and source are documented. On rare occasions, a parent or student will request access to their record, which contains their health information. In this instance, prior to the parent/student viewing the record, consent from the third party source of information may be sought, but is not always necessary. In the case of subpoena to court, the entire document is provided.

School-Based Public Health Nurse Support Service Pamphlet for Educators



A partnership between

**Huron-Perth Catholic
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and

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Health Unit**

School-Based Support Services

Working with school staff and parents, School-Based Public Health Nurse (SBPHNs) encourage students to recognize their own strengths and utilize them in their everyday lives.

School-Based Public Health Nurses provide supportive counselling in a safe, accepting, non-judgmental environment to enhance learning and promote healthy growth and development. Catholic values have been clearly outlined to the nurses working in Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board schools.

Referrals to this service come from school staff, parents/guardians, and students.

When making referrals, please inform the student and complete the referral form. For students under the age of 12, send home the consent package provided.



Working together

Working with students, their families and teachers, at school or in their home, School-Based Public Health Nurses...

- provide confidential consultation
 - provide group counselling
 - advocate for students
 - provide information and consultation
 - hold student workshops
 - provide parent education
 - strengthen communication between school and home
 - link students and their families to other community health and social services
 - attend relevant school meetings as requested.
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Making Referrals

Students and/or families can be referred to the SBPHN for concerns about...

- physical, social and emotional health and well-being
 - understanding child development and behaviour and/or other parenting concerns
 - relationships, communication, self-esteem, stress and coping
 - mental health, anger management, social skills, attendance concerns
 - family challenges, separation or divorce, illness or death, family violence.
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Working together for healthy schools!

