



6.3 Diabetes Care

The Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education and Child Care have developed the [Provincial Standards: Supporting Students with Type 1 Diabetes in the School Setting](#). These provincial standards help create a safe and supportive environment for students with diabetes by describing the roles and responsibilities of parents/guardians, school principals, and health authorities.

In the K - 12 education system under delegation of care provided by [Nursing Support Services \(NSS\)](#), non-medical school staff follow a set Type-1 diabetes delegated care plan to help assist children with their diabetes care needs while at school. This optional delegated care plan is provided under a nurse's license and must use practices approved by Health Canada.

The [Ministry of Health](#) and NSS have made changes to the [Diabetes Medication Administration form](#) (completed by parents and physicians) which is part of the student's NSS delegated diabetes care plan. This change only applies to new NSS care plans; schools do not need to update existing NSS care plans. The updated [Diabetes Support Plan](#) can be found on the Ministry's [diabetes care website](#).

Do-It-Yourself Looping

As DIY looping is currently not approved by Health Canada, NSS is unable to provide assistance for DIY looping through delegated care. For families who choose to use DIY looping during school hours, students need to be independent in their own type-1 diabetes management and will not be eligible for an NSS delegated care plan.

Questions or concerns can be directed to the Ministry of Health Patient and Client Relations at 1 (833) 552-1891 or by email to: hlth.health@gov.bc.ca .

Resources

The Ministry of Health's document [Do-It-Yourself Looping](#) describes the Ministry's position on diabetes looping.