

School Nursing Key Stakeholders

The School Nursing Key Stakeholders Document was created to provide a streamlined approach for school nurses to locate resources and contact information for state school nurse leaders. A collaborative team from Georgia Department of Education, Georgia Department of Public Health, Georgia Association of School Nurses, and Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta worked together to create this resource. This document was finalized and is current as of February 2021.

Agency	Areas of Expertise	Contact
<p>Georgia Department of Education (GADOE)</p> <p>Website</p>	<p>The GADOE School Nurse Exchange provides a collection of resources for school nurses to keep abreast of current trends and best practices in the leadership and delivery of school-based health services.</p> <p>Contact us about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 guidance (planning, PPE, learning resources) • School health legislation and policies • School entry requirements (Form 3300, Form 3231) • Diabetes management • Special Education screenings and referrals 	<p>Krista Lowe, RN, BSN, MEd School Nurse Specialist krista.lowe@doe.k12.ga.us Phone: 404-308-9383</p> <p>For district-level planning and guidance regarding Covid-19, please contact Matt Cardoza (mcardoza@doe.k12.ga.us).</p>
<p>Georgia Department of Public Health (GDPH)</p> <p>Website</p>	<p>The School Health Program at Georgia Department of Public Health serves to provide leadership, training, and consultation as it relates to school nursing practice and public health to all health districts, school districts (including private and parochial schools), as well as nurses employed as school nurses.</p> <p>Contact us about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 guidance (reporting, contact tracing, quarantine, vaccine, testing) • Asthma care and asthma-friendly schools • Tobacco-free schools • Oral health programs • School entry requirements (Form 3300, Form 3231) • School screenings (vision, hearing, scoliosis, etc.) • Public health emergencies/disaster response 	<p>Diane Durrence, APRN, MSN, MPH Chief Nurse schoolhealth@dph.ga.gov Phone: 404-205-3112</p>

<p>Georgia Association of School Nurses (GASN)</p> <p>Website</p>	<p>The Georgia Association of School Nurses represents school nurses across the state and is dedicated to promoting excellence in school health through its continuing education programs and advocacy.</p> <p>Contact us about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislative news and advocacy efforts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ State (GASN), National (NASN), Georgia Nurses Association (GNA) • Membership • National Association of School Nurses (NASN) • Continuing education opportunities 	<p>Melanie Bales, MSN, BSN, RN, CMS President President@gasn.org Phone: 770-426-3482 Cell: 678-300-9518</p>
<p>Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA)</p> <p>School Health</p> <p>Strong4Life</p> <p>Child Protection Training</p>	<p>Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta works closely with school health personnel throughout the state to provide them with educational materials, training, and support on effectively managing student health.</p> <p>Contact us about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Georgia School Health Resource Manual • Clinical pediatric healthcare questions and resources • Continuing education opportunities and info • Covid-19 Resources for Schools • Covid-19 Resources for Parents • Child Trafficking: Know the Signs & How to Help • Child Protection 	<p>Michelle Walker, BSN, NPD-BC, CPN Manager, Child Advocacy Programs schoolhealth@choa.org Phone: 404-785-3434</p>