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Cardiac Emergency Response Plan and Protocol

There is a new law requiring schools to have a cardiac emergency response plan in place by January of this year. Each building needs to have a cardiac emergency response team (CERT) identified in order to respond appropriately to incidents involving an individual experiencing sudden cardiac arrest or a similar life-threatening emergency while at school or a school sponsored activity or event. Team members need to be CPR certified as well knowledgeable on the use of an AED device.

IAR

We have begun verifying accommodations for the IAR assessment in the Spring.

DLM

We are working with case managers to review the criteria for participation in the DLM (Dynamic Learning Maps) State Alternate Assessment. We will then be ensuring that students who are recommended for this alternative assessment meet all eligibility requirements.

Staff Development

We are making arrangements for professional development opportunities in January. New staff will be fully Handle with Care trained and many staff, both certified and non-certified, will be encouraged to attend an Autism and Neurodiversity Webinar hosted by Perandoe.

