

Hospital Homebound Services

Central Programs & Services

SD #23 (Central Okanagan)

WHAT ARE HOSPITAL HOMEBOUND SERVICES?

This is a service provided for students K-12 enrolled in the Central Okanagan public school system. It is designed to assist students who are absent from school due to medical reasons. To minimize educational disruption, students are seen in the hospital or home setting. However, there may be circumstances where students are seen in alternate settings, such as schools, public libraries, etc. Students work at assignments they would be doing if they were attending school.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any student absent (for 5+ school days on a semester system, or 10+ days on a linear system) from school due to medical reasons, is eligible. Hospital/Homebound is normally a short term service that could last up to 3 months.

REFERRAL PROCESS?

The following steps need to be completed:

- The school, in conjunction with the parent(s)/legal guardian(s), **completes a Hospital Homebound Referral form.**
- Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) are responsible for having the **medical form on the reverse completed by the referring doctor.**
- Both the Medical Form and completed Referral and Consent Form are then forwarded by the school to Central Programs and Services.
- When appropriate, a Hospital/Homebound teacher is assigned.

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MEDICAL FORM**

Medical Information

*****This form must be completed by referring Physician *****

NAME OF PATIENT: _____

NAME OF DOCTOR: _____

NATURE OF ILLNESS: (This service is NOT provided while illness is contagious)

EXPECTED LENGTH OF ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL: _____ weeks *

*For absences longer than 12 weeks a follow-up doctor referral may be required.

Doctor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Please return this form to parent/legal guardian- to be returned to school personnel)