**581-015-2165 with track changes for Board to consider 9-1-2020**

**Other Health Impairment**

**(1)** "Other Health Impairment" means limited strength, vitality, or alertness, including a heightened alertness to environmental stimuli that results in limited alertness with respect to the educational environment, that:

(a) Is due to chronic or acute health problems such as asthma, attention deficit disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, diabetes, epilepsy, a heart condition, hemophilia, lead poisoning, leukemia, nephritis, rheumatic fever, sickle cell anemia, and Tourette syndrome; and

(b) Adversely affects a child's developmental progress (ages 3 through 5) or educational performance (ages 5 through 21).

(2) If a child is suspected of having an other health impairment, a comprehensive evaluation must be conducted, including the following:

(a) Medical examination indicating a diagnosis of a health impairment or a description of the impairment, and a statement that the child's condition is permanent or is expected to last for more than 60 calendar days conducted by:

(A) A physician licensed under ORS chapter 677 or by the appropriate authority in another state;

(B) A naturopathic physician licensed under ORS chapter 685 or by the appropriate authority in another state;

(C) A nurse practitioner licensed under ORS 678.375 to 678.390 or by the appropriate authority in another state; or

(D) A physician assistant licensed under ORS 677.505 to 677.525 or by the appropriate authority in another state.

(b) Other:

(A) Any additional assessments necessary to determine the impact of the suspected disability:

(i) On the child's developmental progress for a preschool child (age 3 through 5); or

(ii) On the child's educational performance for a school-age child (age 5 through 21); and

(B) Any additional evaluations or assessments necessary to identify the child's developmental or educational needs.

(3) To be eligible as a child with an other health impairment, the child must meet all of the following criteria:

(a) The child exhibits limited strength, vitality, or alertness, including a heightened alertness to environmental stimuli that results in limited alertness with respect to the educational environment;

(b) The child's limited strength, vitality, or alertness is due to a chronic or acute health problem; and

(c) The child's condition is permanent or expected to last for more than 60 calendar days.

(4) For a child to be eligible for special education services as a child with an other health impairment, the eligibility team must also determine that:

(a) The child has an other health impairment as defined in this rule; and

(b) The child is eligible for special education services in accordance with OAR 581-015-2795 and/or OAR 581-015-2120.

**Statutory/Other Authority:** ORS 343.035(1), 343.045, 343.146 & 343.157;  
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