MEDICATION RECOMMENDATION BY SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Albemarle County Public School personnel are prohibited from recommending the use of psychotropic medications for any student. School health staff, classroom teachers, or other school professionals may recommend that a student be evaluated by an appropriate medical practitioner. In addition, school personnel may consult with a medical practitioner who is serving the student with the written consent of the student’s parent.

For the purpose of this policy, “psychotropic medications” means those medications that are prescribed with the intention of altering mental activity or state, including, but not limited to, antipsychotic, antidepressant, and anxiolytic medication and behavior-altering medication including that prescribed for attention deficit disorders.

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