

# Administration of Marijuana On School Property

As laws change and access to marijuana products increase, the topic of school staff storing or administering non FDA approved Schedule (1) marijuana to students may be an issue California educators, staff, nurses will have to address. Proposition 64 took effect November 2016, allowing adults 21 and over the ability to possess and grow certain amounts for personal use. No public consumption is allowed. Any recent changes to marijuana policy will have no affect regarding use on campus both medically and recreationally. Here is why!

Items to Consider?	Facts
<p><b>What were the protocols on campus post prop. 215 – 1996 CA Compassionate Use Act?</b></p> <p><b>Were you trained to administer marijuana/products in medical school?</b></p> <p><b>Where did the products come from and who tested it for safety?</b></p> <p><b>Are they prescribed by a doctor, where is the prescription?</b></p> <p><b>Is the product safe to consume, free from chemicals and allergens, how do you know?</b></p> <p><b>What are the amounts and potency, dosage?</b></p> <p><b>Can a parent or home health aide administer the product off campus?</b></p> <p><b>Will the products side effects cause any disruption at school?</b></p>	<p><b>1-</b> Most Schools are Federal Property and receive Federal funds. Marijuana is classified federally as a Schedule (1) drug meaning “it has no medical value and high propensity for abuse”. Therefore there should be no product <b>stored</b> or <b>dispensed</b> on school property. FDA approved marijuana medicines do exist - see line 3. These may be allowed. Federal law supersedes State law.</p> <p><b>2-</b> Non FDA approved dispensary marijuana (wax, oils, edibles, CBD oil) are <u>recommended</u> not prescribed; and are a Schedule (1) drug.</p> <p><b>3-</b> Marijuana derived medicines are in pill or spray form and <u>prescribed</u> they are Schedule (3) drugs and are FDA approved (dronabinol, sativex, nabilone, marinol etc.)</p> <p><b>4-</b> Dispensing a product with no uniform standards, dosage, potency, quality assurance, or handling protocols may leave the staff at risk for litigation if a medical issue occurs.</p> <p><b>5-</b> Some recommendations on how to handle this - have the child be medicated before school at home or have a home health aide or parent administer the product off school property.</p> <p>As long as marijuana remains a <b>Schedule (1) drug</b>, it should not be on campus!</p>