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TO: Massachusetts Public and Non-Public Schools  
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SUBJECT: Application of 105 CMR 210.000 to Field Trips  
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The Department of Public Health's regulation, [105 CMR 210.000: \*The Administration of Prescription Medications in Public and Private Schools\*](#), is applicable to Massachusetts public and private primary and secondary school nurses administering medications within Massachusetts. Regulation 105 CMR 210.000, including the provisions related to delegation, cannot be used by nurses associated with Massachusetts public and private schools for the administration of medications during any part of a school field trip that occurs outside of Massachusetts. If students from a Massachusetts public or private school are going to an out-of-state location, the school should consult its legal counsel and applicable regulatory bodies within the state(s) where medication may need to be administered.

Nurses associated with out-of-state schools and school districts may not delegate the administration of medications to students while the students are participating in a field trip in Massachusetts. Regulation 105 CMR 210 does not authorize any activities by an out-of-state nurse, school, or school district, and out-of-state nurses are not authorized to delegate in Massachusetts.

If a nurse associated with an out-of-state school or school district has questions about the administration of medication to students who are located in Massachusetts during a field trip or their ability to practice in Massachusetts, they should consult their legal counsel and any relevant regulatory bodies in Massachusetts, such as the [Board of Registration in Nursing](#).