Where to start???

- Contact the school and school nurse prior to the start of school
- Arrange a meeting with the school nurse to discuss your child’s needs
- Have the healthcare provider’s orders at that meeting and any necessary supplies
- School nurse should be allowed to contact healthcare provider for any clarification of orders

Delegation

- “transfer of responsibility for the performance of a task from a registered nurse to an unlicensed individual while retaining accountability for the outcome”
- Can only be done by a registered nurse
- Monitoring and supervision must be done

School Nurses Role

- Should be included in any Special Education or 504 evaluation if any health concerns
- Nursing services or health services are a related services that are necessary for the child to receive FAPE
- School Nursing or Health Services should be outlined in the IEP

Medicaid School Health Program

- Allows the district to receive reimbursement for providing allowable services to students who are on Medicaid and have an IEP
- The school will request parents sign a permission form so districts can submit a claim to Medicaid
- Funds are returned to district to support the health needs of all students.

Individualized Healthcare Plans

- Can only be written by a registered nurse
- Outlines the medical care that is needed during the school day
- Should also include any emergency care that is needed
- Delegation can only be done by a registered nurse

State Laws and Regulations

- State and local laws (CO Nurse Practice Act, education codes, regulations)
- Policy is determined district by district
- Regardless of state and local laws, requirements of federal laws must be met