Education Roadmap for Students with Medical and Mental Health Needs (ages 6 to 9)

Medical and Mental Health conditions can impact a child's education. Here are some questions to help guide conversations with parents, providers, and school staff about educational success. If more help is needed, ask your medical team if a referral to the School Intervention Program is needed.

Glossary of Terms

IHP: Individual Health Plan

ISP: Individual Service Plan

504: 504 Accommodation Plan

IEP: Individualized Education Program

ETR: Evaluation Team Report

*Terms may vary by state

Every Year Check-In

- [ ] Does school have updated medication forms for the school year? By law, students should only carry emergency medications (such as inhalers, EpiPen, or seizure medication).
- [ ] Does school have copies of hospital evaluations or reports (such as IQ, ADHD, speech, or physical therapy)?
- [ ] Is the plan (such as an IHP, ISP, 504, IEP) current? Does the student understand the plan?
- [ ] Has the current plan been reviewed with the school team or new staff? Are there any unique activities or field trips that may need extra planning for the student's needs?
- [ ] When is the yearly IEP review? Is the ETR is due this school year?
- [ ] Are there known potential symptoms and triggers? Does the student know what to do if they have symptoms?
- [ ] Is there a plan for managing absences, getting assignments, homebound instruction, or making up missed instruction time?
- [ ] Are there planned enrichment activities for this year or next summer? Do you need help with access?
- [ ] Are there established fitness routines, sleep and hygiene habits, and a homework environment?

6-9 Years

- [ ] Do you regularly talk to your child's teachers about behavior and progress through report cards, conferences, email, or phone calls?
- [ ] Ohio has a Third Grade Reading Guarantee. Students in Ohio take a reading screener every fall in grades K-3. Are you getting, reviewing, and keeping these reports? Are you talking to the teacher about them?
- [ ] Is your child taking any standardized tests?