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Notice of Patient Rights: Treatment and Examination of Minors

Under 19 Del.C. § 1931, a parent, guardian, or other caretaker or an adult staff member shall be present when a school nurse provides outpatient treatment to a minor patient who is disrobed or partially disrobed or during an outpatient physical examination involving the breasts, genitalia or rectum regardless of the gender of the school nurse and patient, except when rendering care during an emergency.

The adult staff member observing the treatment or examination shall be of the same gender as the patient when practicable.

Minor patients may decline the presence of a third person only with consent of a parent, guardian or other caretaker.

Minor patients may request private consultation with the school nurse without the presence of a third person after the treatment or examination.