School Based Health Services

The Hawaii Keiki: Healthy and Ready to Learn Program places certified APRNs and RNs in health clinics located at DOE campuses to provide school based health services to students. The program supports achievement of student, school, and system success by:

- Working with each Complex Area Superintendent, the Hawaii Keiki Program is creating a model that reflects the needs of the individual Complex Area considering student demographics, staffing patterns, available support services, and health care access within the community.
- APRNs (also known as nurse practitioners) and RNs are available in project schools and with parent’s consent, deliver screening, direct services on-site and/or virtually using telehealth, and ensure continuity of care for children with chronic conditions.
- HK nurses coordinate and collaborate with the Public Health Nurses from the Department of Health in the prevention and control of communicable disease and supporting students with required school health needs.

The UH Manoa Nancy Atmospera-Walch School of Nursing, via the Hawaii Keiki Leadership Team, works directly with the HIDOE Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and HIDOE’s School Health Section to provide access to evidence-based expertise in health promotion and disease prevention; alignment and coordination opportunities for health and education; and resources for public and health sciences education partnership.

The Whole School, Whole Community,
Whole Child Model (WSCC)

The program is built on the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model that expands on the eight elements of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) coordinated school health (CSH) approach and is combined with the whole child framework.

Launched in early 2014, CDC and the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) developed this expanded model—in collaboration with key leaders from the fields of health, public health, education, and school health—to strengthen a unified and collaborative approach designed to improve learning and health in our nation’s schools.

The WSCC focuses on the child to align the common goals of education, public health and school health sectors. The expanded model integrates the ten components of a coordinated school health (CSH) program with the tenets of a whole child approach to education.

Developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).