



**COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO
PRESCHOOL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
POLICY**

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SUBJECT:

PARENT REFUSAL OF HEALTH SERVICES POLICY AND
PROCEDURE

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POLICY

To respect the parent's rights to refuse health services for their infant, toddler or child.

REFERENCE

1304.20 (e) (5)

PROCEDURE

When a parent tells the generalist or staff member they do not want their infant, toddler or child to receive health services the staff members will do the following:

1. First ask the parent why they are refusing treatment.
2. Educate the parent on the benefits and reasons for the recommended health procedures.
3. Have the parent fill out the refusal for health services form.
4. Document all conversations in COPA and put a copy in the file.
5. Send a copy of the refusal for health services form to the Health Education Specialist.
6. Have Parent write a letter explaining reason for refusal, and put copy in child's file