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**New Online Courses from SafeSchools
Address Health Emergencies in K-12 Schools**

CINCINNATI, OH, June 28, 2007 – Over the past five years, the number of children with peanut allergies has doubled. There are 5 million children under the age of 18 with asthma. One in every 400 kids below the age of 20 has diabetes. And this is only a small portion of the health concerns that school employees, especially school nurses, have to deal with on a daily basis. Blood disorders, seizures, ADD, depression, head lice – the list goes on and on.

Today, at the National Association of School Nurses (NASN) Annual Conference, Scenario Learning announced the launch of six new online and CD-ROM-based courses designed specifically for K-12 school health professionals. Scenario Learning's SafeSchools publishing unit is America's leading publisher of technology-centric training products created exclusively for K-12 professionals.

"The Health Emergency series allows SafeSchools to provide a flexible, authoritative and affordable training solution for K-12 school nurses and school administrators" said Brian Taylor, President of Scenario Learning. "We are fortunate to have had some of America's foremost school nursing authors design this training. The SafeSchools' Health Emergencies Series follows our tradition of training content that is created from the ground-up for school professionals by school professionals."

According to co-author Suzan Tibbitts, "School health professionals have to oversee an increasing number of health emergencies involving allergies, asthma, diabetes, blood disorders and seizures. These courses have been created from the perspective of the school nurse who, ultimately, must have the training and skills to manage the rapid rise in these cases."

The Health Emergencies series includes the following courses:

- Health Emergencies: Overview
- Health Emergencies: Allergies
- Health Emergencies: Asthma
- Health Emergencies: Diabetes
- Health Emergencies: Hemophilia
- Health Emergencies: Seizures

In addition, SafeSchools already features courses on the following health-related topics:

- Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)
- Bloodborne Pathogens: Complete Course
- Bloodborne Pathogens: Refresher
- Bloodborne Pathogens: Refresher (Spanish)
- Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
- First Aid
- HIV/AIDS Awareness



SafeSchools' innovative approach to online training provides a convenient, effective solution for school nursing professionals and districts. SafeSchools' online training advantages include the ability to quickly update course content as new information emerges as well as the ability for districts to assign and track training results through SafeSchools' proprietary reporting system.

In addition, schools and districts can purchase CD ROM versions of each course. More information regarding each course is available at the SafeSchools' Online Store (<http://store.safeschools.com>) or by calling 1-800-434-0154.

SafeSchools' Health Emergency Series is co-authored by Suzan Tibbitts, MSN, RN, and Janell Eastman, M.Ed, BSN, BS, RN.

Ms. Tibbitts is a school nurse who is directly responsible for the health care of over 9,000 students in her district. She is also project manager of the Vaccine for Children program and a staff member of PEGUS Research, Inc. where she is a Serious Adverse Event Clinician. Ms. Eastman is a district nurse with responsibility for 11 schools. Her past experience includes surgical nursing, public health case management and occupational health administration. She developed, implemented and now manages her district's Bloodborne Disease Prevention program for all at-risk employees.

Scenario Learning is America's leading provider of technology-centric, school-specific training programs for K-12 staff members.

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