



**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
ACT MEMO**

2017 Wisconsin Act 107
[2017 Senate Bill 382]

**Tuberculosis Screening for
School District Employees**

Under prior law, all school districts except Milwaukee Public Schools must condition the employment of school district employees upon a physical examination including a chest x-ray or a tuberculosis test. The physical examination had to be conducted by a physician. Subsequent additional physical examinations were required at intervals determined by the school board.

Under 2017 Wisconsin Act 107 (“the Act”), all school districts including Milwaukee Public Schools must condition the employment of school district employees upon a physical examination including a tuberculosis screening questionnaire approved by the Department of Health Services. A tuberculosis test is only required if indicated by the screening questionnaire. The Act expands the list of health professionals who may conduct the physical examination and testing, to include physicians’ assistants and advanced practice nurse prescribers. The Act also permits school districts to determine whether to require subsequent additional physical examinations. If a school district opts to require subsequent tuberculosis screening questionnaires they may be administered by school nurses and registered nurses.

Effective date: This Act took effect on December 2, 2017.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.