

## **Appendix D Sick Bays – Issues for Consideration<sup>1</sup>**

Location in a readily accessible area

Convenient distance from toilets and a sink or wash basin

Access doors wide enough to allow the entry and exit of a stretcher if necessary

Area has potential for privacy. However, this needs to be balanced with the provision of adequate supervision

Monitoring of persons receiving First Aid treatment

Access to a First Aid kit

Supply of disposable gloves

Supply of suitable bags for soiled clothing etc

Supply of soap and disposable towels

Provision of a couch with blankets and pillows

Use of disposable covers for beds and pillows is strongly recommended to reduce cleaning costs and school staff time. Staff should not be involved in laundering and cleaning soiled bed covers and pillows

Maintenance in a clean and tidy condition with information on Responsible First Aid Practices, especially infection control

Management of spillages in accordance with infection control practices

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<sup>1</sup> **First Aid Guidelines** NSW DET (V3 01/07/08)