

The background is a dark chalkboard with various white chalk sketches. On the left, there's a large 'V', a globe, and a microscope. At the bottom, there are mathematical symbols like a plus sign, a percent sign, and a less-than sign, along with some scribbled lines and shapes.

Senate Bill 151: School District Head Lice Policy

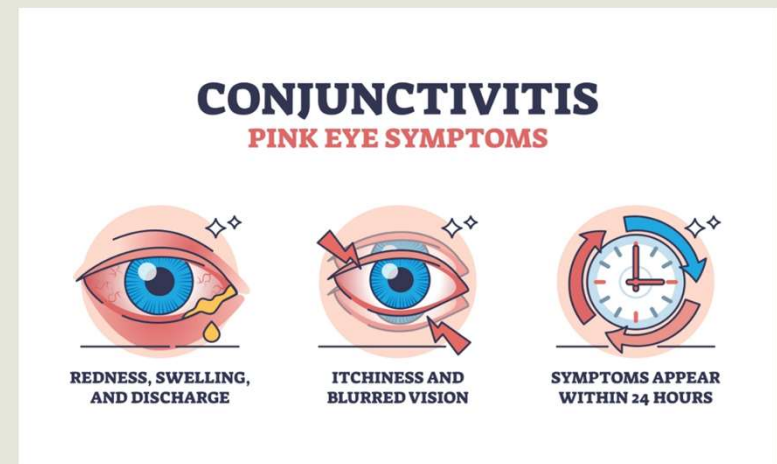
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SB 151 Explanation of Changes ver. H to ver. O

- **Removed school district reimbursements, report requirements, and lice checks**
- **Requires districts adopt a policy regarding head lice & bacterial conjunctivitis**
- **Those who have not adopted a policy shall follow default policy established in the bill**

What is Bacterial Conjunctivitis?

- Inflammation of the conjunctiva
- Highly contagious
- Can be identified by redness, irritation, yellow or greenish discharge, crusting of eyelids, dryness, itchiness, and puffy or swollen eyes
- Severe cases can lead to ulcers on the eye and loss of vision



How Does Bacterial Conjunctivitis Spread?

- Close personal contact such as touching or shaking hands
- Touching objects and surfaces with germs on them
- Large respiratory tract droplets from an infected person
- Caused by bacterial infections



CDC Recommendations

- Considered contagious for 24 hours after beginning treatment
- Students with pink eye should leave the classroom immediately and may return at least 24 hours after beginning treatment

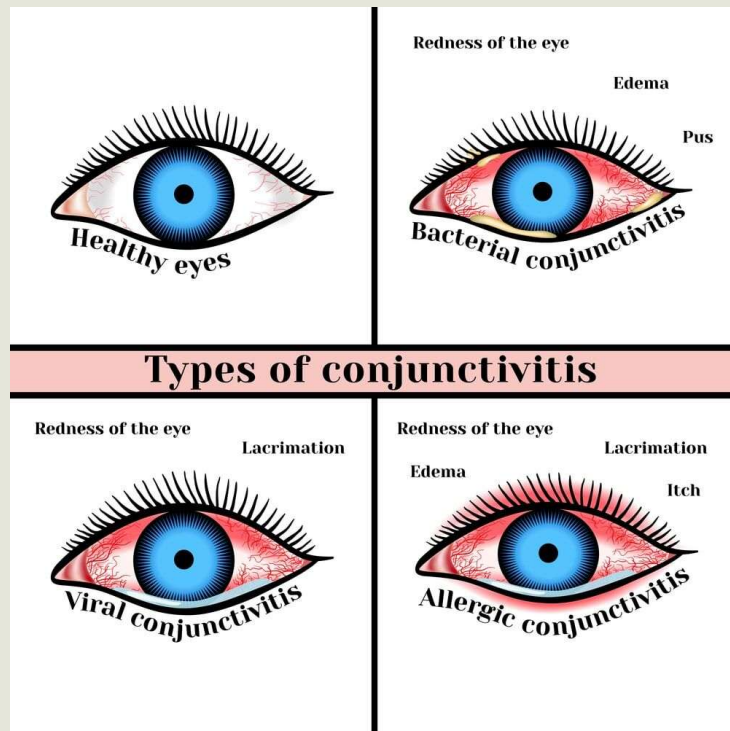


How to Treat Bacterial Conjunctivitis

- Antibiotics
- Eye drops or ointments
- Washing eyelids and lashes regularly
- Avoiding contact lenses



Questions?



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