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I became a school nurse directly after graduating nursing school. By having a supervisor who is a nurse, they have been able to pull from their experiences to advocate for me and student's health care at school. For example, I had a student who struggled with a stable home and it negatively impacted their access to diabetic care like getting to endocrinologist appointments or supervision of insulin management at home from parents. The student was 10-day dropped from school. My supervisor help supported me during the school reinstatement meeting by providing the intersection and correlation of medical impact on education to stress the importance of what accomodations is needed at school to increase access to diabetic care/support, diabetic emergency response planning when supplies are not available, and overall utilizing an equity lens over their experiences as a nurse in a school setting to better support the student. This is just one of many experiences having a supervisor with nursing experience has enhanced my nursing practices and benefited my community I serve. In that, I support nurse supervisors to better our community.