

## **JHCD-E2**

### **PRESCRIBED EMERGENCY MEDICATION BY INJECTION (EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR FOR ANAPHYLACTIC REACTION)**

Any pupil, who is required to take emergency medication for a known anaphylactic reaction, treatment by epinephrine auto-injector, as prescribed by a licensed practitioner will provide the medication and a medication order. Per school board policy EBBA-3, the practitioner must specify if the student is able to either self-carry or have it kept to be delegated by the school nurse. The use of the Epinephrine auto-injector may be delegated by the school nurse to a school staff member. Filed with the student's health record each new school year must be the following:

1. A written order from the prescribing practitioner detailing the route, the dosage, and directives for administration.
2. A parent or guardian signature must accompany the practitioner's statement. Staff will be trained either by the parent or the school nurse.
3. If emergency medication by injection is administered to by an individual 911 will be called.

The board recognizes that the risk for an unknown allergic reaction is immediate and life threatening and therefore the limited acquisition of stock Epi-Pens and Epi-Pen Jr's has been approved.

RSA 318:42 only permits a school RN or LPN to possess this drug and then administer as appropriate. Delegation of epinephrine is only permitted when a student has a prescription for epinephrine.

An Epi-Pen and Epi-Pen Jr. will be available in each school for emergency use for an unknown anaphylactic reaction per recommendation of the NHDOE. Oversight for prescribing this medication for the Rochester School District is made by the Frisbie Hospital Emergency Department Medical Director. Epi-Pens will be available during the school day at the school.

Protocol for use of epinephrine for unknown anaphylactic reaction as follows:

- Epi-Pens for use in individuals > than 66 lbs; Epi-Pen Jr for use in individuals <66 lbs
- Epi-Pens will be available during the school day at the school.
- Epi-Pens will be located in the nursing office during the day.
- Epi-Pen lot numbers and expiration dates will be tracked by the school nurse and replacement will be the responsibility of the school district.

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