

SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF ASTHMA AND ANAPHYLAXIS MEDICATIONS

Asthma is an inflammatory disease of the respiratory tract. Anaphylaxis is a life-threatening allergic reaction that may involve systems of the entire body. Anaphylaxis is a medical emergency that requires immediate medical treatment and follow-up care by an allergist/immunologist.

It is the policy of the board of directors that students with asthma or anaphylaxis are afforded the opportunity to self-administer prescribed medications. The students' parent or guardian will submit a written request and other documentation required by the school. The student's prescribing health care provider must provide a written treatment plan.

The student must demonstrate to the school's professional registered nurse that the student is competent to possess and self-administer prescribed medications during school and at school sponsored events..

The superintendent is directed to establish procedures that implement this policy and to develop emergency rescue procedures.

Classification: Essential

Legal Reference:

42 U.S.C. 280, Section 399 Public Health Service Act

42 U.S.C. 12212 Section 512 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

34 CFR Part 104 Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973

RCW 28A.210.370 Students with Asthma

RCW 28A.210.380 Anaphylaxis-Policy guidelines-Procedures-Reports

Cross References

3420 - Anaphylaxis Prevention and Response

3416 - Medication at School

2162 - Education of Students With Disabilities Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

2161 - Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students

Management Resources

OSPI, March 2009, Guidelines for the Care of Students with Anaphylaxis

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