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5308 STOCK EPINEPHRINE AUTO INJECTOR ADMINISTRATION POLICY

Purpose

Entheos Academy recognizes anaphylaxis is a chronic, life-threatening condition. Students with a diagnosis of anaphylaxis who are prescribed epinephrine are strongly encouraged to self-carry and self-administer their medication, if appropriate. Students who are unable to self-carry and self-administer their medication should bring their epinephrine auto-injector to school and follow the allergy and anaphylaxis emergency action plan (AAEAP) written by the school nurse, student's parent or guardian, and healthcare provider.

Under this policy, the USBE shall allow the school to provide stock epinephrine to students with anaphylaxis in the event the student is experiencing an anaphylactic emergency and does not have access to their own epinephrine auto-injector, as required in Utah code 26B-4-406(5)(a).

Definitions

Include them here as needed

Policy

I. Allowances

A. Any individual experiencing an anaphylactic reaction may be administered stock epinephrine by trained school personnel when their personal epinephrine auto-injector is not immediately available. A previously diagnosed allergy is not required.

B. Stock epinephrine auto-injectors may be administered by any trained school employee, including but not limited to the school nurse or designated volunteer staff. These individuals must complete appropriate training prior to being authorized to administer the medication.

C. Stock epinephrine may be stored and used at Entheos Academy.

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D. All stock epinephrine auto-injectors must be obtained through a licensed pharmacy or manufacturer.

E. The school shall maintain documentation for each incident in which stock epinephrine is used, including:

- The student's name
- The staff member who administered the medication
- The time and date of administration
- Notification of the student's parent or guardian

II. Limitations

A. This policy does not replace the responsibility of parents or guardians to provide a personal epinephrine auto-injector for students known to have severe allergies. The presence of stock epinephrine should not create an expectation that epinephrine will always be available.

B. Epinephrine in vial and syringe form may not be administered by school staff. This method of administration is permitted only by a student's parent/guardian or qualified emergency medical personnel.

C. Expired auto-injectors must not be used and must be discarded according to proper disposal procedures.

D. No stock epinephrine auto-injector shall be accepted from private individuals or unauthorized sources.

III. When Needed

A. Stock epinephrine auto-injectors are to be administered only in the event of a suspected anaphylactic emergency, defined by symptoms such as difficulty breathing, swelling, rash, or any other signs consistent with anaphylaxis.

B. In the absence of the school nurse, trained volunteer staff members may administer stock epinephrine in accordance with their training and this policy.

IV. Storage and Training Requirements

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A. Stock epinephrine auto-injectors must be stored in an unlocked, secure, and easily accessible location known to the school nurse and trained staff. This location should allow for rapid access in an emergency.

B. Each school shall identify and train volunteer employees willing to administer stock epinephrine. Training must comply with state-approved training programs and be documented.

REF:

- Utah Code § 26-41-101 et seq. – Emergency Injection for Anaphylaxis Act
- Utah State Board of Education Rule R277-609 – Administration of Medication in the School Setting
- Entheos Academy Medical Administration Procedures Manual
- Training materials and certification forms for administration of epinephrine auto-injectors
- Standing Order/Prescription Agreement with Medical Director