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Anaphylaxis Treatment Annual Notification to Parents

California Education Code 49414 authorizes school districts to provide epinephrine auto-injectors (epi-pens) for trained personnel to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering from an anaphylactic reaction.

Anaphylaxis is a rapid, severe allergic response triggered by insect stings, foods, medications, latex materials, exercise, or, in rare cases, by unknown causes. This is a life-threatening allergic condition requiring immediate treatment. Administering epinephrine to students during a medical emergency may help to ensure the student’s health and safety at school. Therefore, Tracy Unified School District has adopted a policy for standing orders to provide life-saving epinephrine to students who are in need of such treatment effective January 1, 2015.

This policy states that a credentialed, licensed school nurse, licensed nurse (LVN), or trained unlicensed school staff under the indirect supervision of the credentialed school nurse may administer epinephrine in the form of an epi-pen during a severe, life threatening allergic reaction. The epi-pen rapidly delivers a pre-measured, sterile, single dose of epinephrine by direct injection through the skin.

If you have any questions please call TUSD Health Services at (209)830-3241

Sincerely,

TUSD Health Services