



Tomball Independent School District

Health Services Procedural Guideline: Parent/Guardian Authorization for UDCA Provided Diabetes Care at School School Year 20____/20____

Traditionally, the school nurse has provided any medical care students might require at school. To expand services offered to students, Texas Health and Safety Code, Section 168 allows each school to train other employees to serve as Unlicensed Diabetes Care Assistants (UDCA). The school nurse, the student, the student's parent/guardian, and the primary care provider will develop for each student who seeks care for diabetes at school an Individualized Health Plan which specifies the diabetes management plan. School nurses will train UDCA's identified by the campus principal. Parents or legal guardians are responsible to provide all of the supplies or equipment necessary for monitoring and treatment, and all management plans and orders must be renewed annually.

TISD has trained UDCA's at each school to provide diabetes management services, including blood glucose monitoring and the administration of insulin or glucagon when a school nurse is not available. Under Section 168, an unlicensed diabetes care assistant may only administer diabetes care and management services if the student's parent/guardian authorizes an UDCA to assist the student and confirms his/her understanding that the UDCA is immune from liability for civil damages under section 22.0511 of the Texas Education Code.

Please select from the options listed below for _____ [student name]:

YES, I authorize an Unlicensed Diabetes Care Assistant to provide diabetes management services to my child at school when a school nurse is unavailable. I understand that UDCA's are immune from liability for civil damages under section 22.0511 of the Texas Education Code.

NO, I do not authorize an Unlicensed Diabetes Care Assistant to provide diabetes management services to my child at school. I understand I will be phoned when routine diabetes care is required since I do not authorize TISD staff to administer that care. Trained TISD staff will activate emergency medical services and notify parents for any medical emergency.

Printed name of Parent/Legal Guardian

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

_____/_____/20____
Date