SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT Salem, Connecticut

STUDENTS

ADMINISTERING OF EMERGENCY GLUCAGON

The school nurse or school principal shall select a qualified school employee, including but not limited to any licensed nurse, administrator, teacher, licensed athletic trainer, physical or occupational therapist who is a school employee, or intramural or interscholastic athletic coach to, under certain conditions, give a glucagon injection to a student with diabetes who may require prompt treatment to protect him/her from serious harm or death.

The nurse or principal must have the written authority from the student's parent/guardian and a written order from the student's Connecticut-licensed physician. The authorization shall be limited to a situation when the school nurse is absent or unavailable.

No qualified school employee shall administer this medication unless he/she has annually completed required training by the school nurse in the administration of medication with a syringe used to administer glucagon. The school nurse must attest that the qualified school employee has completed such training. The qualified school employee must voluntarily agree to serve in this capacity and receive the required training. The injections are to be given through a syringe used to deliver an appropriate dose of glucagon as emergency first aid response for diabetics experiencing hypoglycemia.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes: 10-212a Administration of medications in schools. (as amended by PA 99-2, and June Special Session and PA 03-211, PA 04-181, PA 07-241, PA 07-252 and PA 09-155 and PA 12-198). 10-220j Blood glucose self-testing by children. Guidelines. (as amended by PA 12-198). 19a-900 Use of cartridge injector by staff member of before or after school program, day camp or day care facility. 52-557b Immunity from liability for emergency medical assistance first aid or medication by injection. School personnel not required to administer or render. (as amended by PA 05-144, An Act Concerning the Emergency Use of Cartridge Injectors) Connecticut Regulations of State Agencies 10-212a-1 through 10-212a-10, inclusive. Code of Federal Regulations: Title 21 Part 1307.2 20-12d Medical functions performed by physician assistants. Prescription authority.

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