

PROTOCOL FOR ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION (EPIPENS)

Anaphylaxis is an acute and potentially lethal multisystem allergic reaction. Unlike common allergy, anaphylaxis onset may be sudden and requires instant action to prevent fatality.

Common Causes of Anaphylaxis:

- Food
- Insect sting
- Medication or immunization

Signs and Symptoms of Anaphylaxis:

- Throat tightness, difficulty speaking or swallowing
- Itching, including hives and/or itching of the mouth, throat, or tongue
- Shortness of breath, wheezing, coughing, chest tightness, blue skin color
- Swelling of body parts, especially face and mouth
- Vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps
- Feeling of apprehension, loss of consciousness

Emergency Response

- **Call 911**
- Retrieve epinephrine Auto-injector (Epipen or Auvi-Q) from the following location _____ in this building
- Administer Epinephrine auto-injector at the first sign or symptom of a known or suspected anaphylactic reaction.
- K, 1st, 2nd grade- use green Epipen Junior or blue Auvi-Q 0.15 mg
- 3rd grade or older- use yellow Epipen Adult or orange Auvi-Q 0.3 mg
- May administer oral Benadryl per standing order if victim is alert and breathing normally
- Notify emergency contact person, school nurse, and administer as soon as possible
- If reaction continues or worsens, a second dose of epinephrine may be given in 15 minutes if available.
- Remain with the victim at all times, note signs, symptoms, and time of epinephrine administration. Send used Epinephrine auto-injector with victim leaving the school.
- De-brief team response, complete incident report.

Maintenance of Epinephrine Auto-Injector

- Havre Public Schools will provide four (4) epinephrine auto-injectors for each student-occupied school building in the District annually. The elementary buildings will have two (2) pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors and two (2) adult epinephrine auto-injectors, the middle and high schools will have four (4) adult epinephrine auto-injectors.
- The epinephrine auto-injector will be stored in a secure and easily-accessible location chosen by the building administrator and school nurse.
- The school nurse will be responsible for performing regular checks, on the epinephrine auto-injectors and for requesting replacement auto injectors for those that have been used or expired.

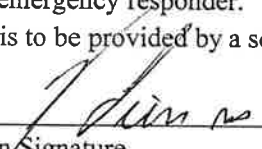
Training of School Personnel

Training in the use of the epinephrine auto-injectors and anaphylaxis protocol will be offered to school staff on an annual basis, or more frequently if the school nurse assesses a need for such.

The school nurse will recruit volunteers among school staff who will receive the training.

The training shall include causes for anaphylaxis, recognition of signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis, indications for administration of epinephrine, administration technique, and the need for immediate access to a certified emergency responder.

Training is to be provided by a school nurse, certified emergency responder, or through web based learning.



Physician Signature

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Date