



Policy 3516 – District-Provided Epinephrine

The District may choose to keep stocks of epinephrine at its schools to be used in emergencies for students with unknown allergies who develop an anaphylactic response and/or for those students with known allergies if their personal emergency medication is found to be flawed or is unavailable. This epinephrine may be kept in a place that is accessible at all hours when school is in session.

The Superintendent is directed to develop written procedures to:

1. Establish a method to lawfully obtain epinephrine sufficient to meet the District's needs and to replace doses that are used or reach their expiration date;
2. Determine all locations where school-stocked epinephrine will be kept and ensure it is always available there
3. Ensure all epinephrine is current and is not outdated or maintained beyond its expiration date as well as a protocol for disposal of outdated epinephrine
4. Ensure the epinephrine is stored in a secure location that meets all storage requirements suggested by the manufacturer;
5. Develop training protocols for school personnel and assure that such training protocols are implemented with fidelity; and
6. Too assure documentation is maintained for all of the above activities.

If a student has previously been identified as having severe allergies that may warrant the administration of epinephrine as described in Policies 3510 and 3515 and the student's personal dose of epinephrine is flawed or not available, District-stocked epinephrine may be administered to or self-administered by the student as described in Policies 3510 and 3515.

If a student who is not known to have a severe allergy is believed to be having an allergic reaction that requires epinephrine, the school's nurse shall determine whether it is appropriate to administer epinephrine and administer the epinephrine when appropriate.

For sites where a school nurse is not available, the Superintendent shall ensure that at least one willing staff member has received training from a doctor, nurse, or other appropriate medical professional in how to administer epinephrine and how to determine whether it is appropriate to do so. This staff member shall be responsible for these tasks.

In accordance with Policy 3500, epinephrine shall only be administered if:

1. The District has parental consent to do so; or
2. Doing so is necessary to prevent death or imminent, irreparable physical injury;
or



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3. The District can't contact the parent/guardian despite a reasonably diligent effort and the student's life or health would be seriously endangered by further delay in the furnishing of health care services.

Any student who receives epinephrine at school must be immediately transported to a hospital for evaluation by a licensed healthcare provider and further observation or immediately released into the care and custody of their parent/guardian.

Legal Reference:

Cross References

Code	Description
3500	<u>Student Health/Physical Screenings/Examinations</u>
3500-F(1)	<u>Student Health/Physical Screenings/Examinations - Notice of Health Services</u>
3510	<u>Student Medicines</u>
3510-F(1)	<u>Student Medicines - Authorization for Self-Administered Medication</u>
3510-F(2)	<u>Student Medicines - Indemnification/Hold Harmless Agreement</u>
3515	<u>Food Allergy Management</u>
3515-B(1)	<u>Food Allergy Management - Background</u>
3515-P(1)	<u>Food Allergy Management - Medical Plans of Care</u>
3515-F(1)	<u>Food Allergy Management - Emergency Care Plan</u>

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