

(See JGFGB)

The self-administration of medication is allowed for eligible students in grades K–12. As used in this policy, “medication” means a medicine for the treatment of anaphylaxis or asthma including, but not limited to, any medicine defined in current federal regulation as an inhaled bronchodilator or auto-injectable epinephrine. “Self-administration” is the student’s discretionary use of an approved medication for which the student has a prescription or written direction from a health care provider.

As used in this policy, “health care provider” means a physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery; an advanced registered nurse practitioner, or a licensed physician assistant who has authority to prescribe drugs under the supervision of a responsible physician.

Student Eligibility

An eligible student shall meet all the following requirements:

1. A written statement from the student’s health care provider stating the name and purpose of the medication/s;
2. The prescribed dosage;
3. The time the medication is to be regularly administered;
4. Any additional special circumstances under which the medication is to be administered;
5. The length of time for which the medication is prescribed;
6. The student shall also demonstrate to the health care provider or the provider’s designee and the interlocal nurse or the nurse’s designee the skill level necessary to use the medication and any device that is necessary to administer the medication as prescribed. In the absence of an interlocal nurse, the interlocal shall designate a person who is trained to witness the demonstration.

Authorization Required

The health care provider shall prepare a written treatment plan for managing the student's asthma or anaphylaxis episodes and for medication use by the student during school hours. The student's parent or guardian shall **annually** complete and submit to the interlocal any written documentation required by the interlocal, including the treatment plan prepared by the student's health care provider. Permission forms shall be annually.

Employee Immunity

All teachers responsible for the student's supervision shall be notified that permission to carry medications and self-administer has been granted. The interlocal shall provide written notification to the parent or guardian of a student that the interlocal and its officers, employees, and agents are not liable for damage, injury, or death resulting directly or indirectly from the self-administration of medication.

Waiver of Liability

The student's parent or guardian shall sign a statement acknowledging that the interlocal and its officers, employees or agents incur no liability for damage, injury, or death resulting directly or indirectly from the self-administration of medication and agreeing to release, indemnify and hold the interlocal and its officers, employees, and agents, harmless from and against any claims relating to the self administration of medication allowed by this policy.

The parent or guardian of the student shall sign a statement acknowledging that the interlocal incurs no liability for any injury resulting from the self-administration of medication and agreeing to indemnify and hold

the interlocal and its employees and agents harmless against any claims relating to the self-administration of such medication.

Additional Requirements

- The interlocal shall require that any back-up medication provided by the student's parent or guardian be kept at the interlocal in a location to which the student has immediate access if there is an asthma or anaphylaxis emergency;
- The interlocal shall require that all necessary and pertinent information be kept on file at the interlocal in a location easily accessible if there is an asthma or anaphylaxis emergency;
- Eligible students shall be allowed to possess and use approved medications at any place where the student is subject to the jurisdiction or supervision of the interlocal, its officers, employees, or agents;
- The board may adopt policy or handbook language which imposes additional requirements relating to the self-administration of medication allowed for in this policy and may establish a procedure for and the conditions under which the authorization for student self-administration of medication may be revoked.

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