

## **Standing Order for West Liberty Salem Local School**

### **AUTO-INJECTOR EPINEPHRINE ADMINISTRATION FOR ANAPHYLAXIS BY SCHOOL PERSONNEL**

In the event of an anaphylactic reaction in an individual in the school setting, this Standing Order authorizes the following to administer a dose of stock auto-injector epinephrine:

- ☑ A registered nurse employed by the school corporation; or
- ☑ A designee of the registered nurse after appropriate delegation and training has occurred and when an individual's own epinephrine is not available.

**DEFINITION:** Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction which can be life threatening and occur within

minutes after a triggering event or up to hours later.

#### **PHYSICAL FINDINGS:**

Common symptoms associated with anaphylaxis may include:

1. Difficulty breathing; wheezing
2. Hives; generalized flushing, itching, or redness of the skin
3. Swelling of the throat, lips, tongue, throat; tightness/change of voice; voice hoarseness
4. Difficulty swallowing; tingling sensation, itching, or metallic taste in mouth
5. Repetitive vomiting or severe diarrhea
6. Feeling of apprehension; agitation; confusion; dizziness or fainting; loss of consciousness

#### **STANDING ORDER:**

1. Based on symptoms, determine that an anaphylactic reaction appears to be occurring. Act quickly. It is safer to give epinephrine than to delay treatment. Anaphylaxis is a life-threatening reaction.

2. Call out or yell for help as you immediately go get the epinephrine. Do not take extra time seeking others until you have provided the epinephrine.

3. Select the appropriate epinephrine auto-injector to administer, based on weight.

Dosage: 0.15 mg Epinephrine auto-injector IM, if less than 66 pounds

0.30 mg Epinephrine auto-injector IM, if 66 pounds or greater

Frequency: If symptoms continue, a second dose may be administered 10 minutes after the first dose.

4. Inject the epinephrine via auto-injector: Pull off safety release cap. Inject into upper, outer thigh, (through clothing if necessary). Hold in place for 10 seconds to deliver medication and then remove. Massage the area for 10 more seconds. Note the time.

5. Call or have a bystander call 911 immediately to activate the Emergency Medical System (EMS).

Advise the 911 operator that anaphylaxis is suspected and epinephrine has being given.

6. Keep the individual lying down. If they lose consciousness, check to see if they are breathing and have a pulse. If not, begin CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation), call out for help and continue CPR until the individual regains a pulse and is breathing or until EMS arrives and takes over.

7. Call School Nurse/Front Office School Personnel and advise of situation and that 911 has been called.

8. If symptoms persist or return, and a second dose of epinephrine is available, repeat the dose after 10 minutes.

9. Stay with the individual until EMS arrives, continuing to follow the directions in No. 6 above.

10. Provide EMS with the Epinephrine auto injector labeled with the name of the person, the date, and the time administered and ask EMS to deliver it to the ED (Emergency Department) personnel.

FOLLOW UP (to be done the same day as the event):

Ensure parents/guardians have been notified.

Licensed Prescriber Signature J M Douthwaite NPC Date 9/21/2016 7/18/17

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## **3313.7110 Procurement of epinephrine autoinjectors for public schools.**

(A) The board of education of each city, local, exempted village, or joint vocational school district may procure epinephrine autoinjectors for each school operated by the district to have on the school premises for use in emergency situations identified under division (C) (5) of this section by doing one of the following:

(1) Having a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs, acting in accordance with section 4723.483, 4730.432, or 4731.96 of the Revised Code, personally furnish the epinephrine autoinjectors to the school or school district or issue a prescription for them in the name of the school or district;

(2) Having the district's superintendent obtain a prescriber-issued protocol that includes definitive orders for epinephrine autoinjectors and the dosages of epinephrine to be administered through them.

A district board that elects to procure epinephrine autoinjectors under this section is encouraged to maintain, at all times, at least two epinephrine injectors at each school operated by the district.

(B) A district board that elects to procure epinephrine autoinjectors under this section shall require the district's superintendent to adopt a policy governing their maintenance and use. Before adopting the policy, the superintendent shall consult with a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs.

(C) - The policy also-adopted under division (B) of this section shall do all of the following:

(1) Identify the one or more locations in each school operated by the district in which an epinephrine autoinjector must be stored;

(2) Specify the conditions under which an epinephrine autoinjector must be stored, replaced, and disposed;

(3) Specify the individuals employed by or under contract with the district board, in addition to a school nurse licensed under section 3319.221 of the Revised Code or an athletic trainer licensed under Chapter 4755. of the Revised Code, who may access and use an epinephrine autoinjector to provide a dosage of epinephrine to an individual in an emergency situation identified under division (C)(5) of this section;

(4) Specify any training that employees or contractors specified under division (C)(3) of this section, other than a school nurse or athletic trainer, must complete before being authorized to access and use an epinephrine autoinjector;

(5) Identify the emergency situations, including when an individual exhibits signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis, in which a school nurse, athletic trainer, or other employees or contractors specified under division (C)(3) of this section may access and use an epinephrine autoinjector;

(6) Specify that assistance from an emergency medical service provider must be requested immediately after an epinephrine autoinjector is used;

## **4723.483 Epinephrine autoinjectors.**

(A)

(1) Subject to division (A)(2) of this section, and notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or rule adopted by the board of nursing, a clinical nurse specialist, certified nurse-midwife, or certified nurse practitioner who holds a certificate to prescribe issued under section 4723.48 of the Revised Code may do either of the following without having examined an individual to whom epinephrine may be administered:

(a) Personally furnish a supply of epinephrine autoinjectors for use in accordance with sections 3313.7110, 3313.7111, 3314.143, 3326.28, 3328.29, 3728.03 to 3728.05, and 5101.76 of the Revised Code;

(b) Issue a prescription for epinephrine autoinjectors for use in accordance with sections 3313.7110, 3313.7111, 3314.143, 3326.28, 3328.29, 3728.03 to 3728.05, and 5101.76 of the Revised Code.

(2) An epinephrine autoinjector personally furnished or prescribed under division (A)(1) of this section must be furnished or prescribed in such a manner that it may be administered only in a manufactured dosage form.

(B) A nurse who acts in good faith in accordance with this section is not liable for or subject to any of the following for any action or omission of an entity to which an epinephrine autoinjector is furnished or a prescription is issued: damages in any civil action, prosecution in any criminal proceeding, or professional disciplinary action.

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