

<b>Harrisburg School District</b>	<b>NEPN Code: JRA</b>
<b>Policy Manual</b>	

## **Epinephrine Auto-Injector for Suspected Anaphylaxis Non-Prescribed Use**

The Harrisburg School District may acquire and maintain a stock of epinephrine auto-injectors pursuant to a prescription issued by an authorized health care provider for use in an emergency situation of a suspected severe allergic reaction causing anaphylaxis. All epinephrine auto-injectors must be stored in a designated medication cabinet and managed by the school nurse or designated and trained personnel.

Any school nurse or designated and trained personnel may:

1. Administer an epinephrine auto-injector to a student in accordance with a prescription specific to the student on file in school health office.
2. Administer an epinephrine auto-injector to any student, regardless of a previous allergy diagnosis/epinephrine prescription, that is experiencing suspected anaphylaxis in accordance with a standing protocol from an authorized health care provider.

Prior to administering an epinephrine auto-injector each designated school personnel shall be trained by the school nurse:

1. To recognize the symptoms of a severe allergy or anaphylactic reaction;
2. To know the procedure for the administration of an epinephrine auto injector;
3. To know the procedure for storage of an epinephrine auto-injector; and
4. To know the emergency care and aftercare for a student who has an allergic or anaphylactic reaction.

Pursuant to House Bill 1167 no administrator, school nurse/designated school personnel, the district, or the school board that makes available or possesses epinephrine auto injectors, may be held liable for any injury or related damage that results from the administration of, self-administration of, or failure to administer an epinephrine auto-injector that may constitute ordinary negligence, however, this immunity does not apply to an act or omission constituting gross, willful, or wanton negligence.

The district shall notify the parents and/or guardians of each student about the policy.

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