



EPINEPHRINE AUTHORIZATION

FAIRFAX COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

PLEASE READ INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES ON REVERSE SIDE

PART I PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO COMPLETE

I hereby authorize Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS), Fairfax County Health Department (FCHD), and School-Age Child Care (SACC) personnel to administer epinephrine injection as directed by the physician (part II). I agree to release, indemnify, and hold harmless FCPS, FCHD, and SACC and any of their officers, staff members, or agents from lawsuit, claim, expense, demand, or action against them for administering the injection, provided they follow the physician order as written in part II below. I am aware that the injection may be administered by a specifically trained nonhealth professional. I have read the procedures outlined on the back of this form and assume responsibility as required.

I understand that emergency medical services (EMS) will always be called when epinephrine is given, whether or not the student manifests any symptoms of anaphylaxis.

Student Name (Last, First, Middle) _____

Date of Birth _____

School _____

School Year _____

No School Board employee, public health nurse, or clinic room aide shall administer medication or treatment, as an exception under School Board policy, unless all the required clearances have been personally reviewed by the principal or his or her designee.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Daytime Telephone

Date

PART II PHYSICIAN TO COMPLETE

Emergency injections are usually administered in FCPS or SACC by nonhealth professionals. These persons are trained by the school public health nurse to administer the injection. For this reason, only premeasured doses of epinephrine may be given. It should be noted that these staff members are not trained observers. They cannot observe for the development of symptoms before administering the injection.

The following injection will be given immediately after report of exposure to _____
Indicate specific allergen.

Route of Exposure: Ingestion Skin Contact Inhalation Insect Sting or Bite

Check appropriate boxes:

- EpiPen Give the premeasured dose of 0.3mg epinephrine 1:1000 aqueous solution (0.3cc) by autoinjection.
 - Repeat dose in 15 minutes if EMS has not arrived. (Two premeasured doses will be needed in school.)
- EpiPen Jr. Give the premeasured dose of 0.15mg epinephrine 1:2000 aqueous solution (0.3cc) by autoinjection.
 - Repeat dose in 15 minutes if EMS has not arrived. (Two premeasured doses will be needed in school.)
- Twinject 0.3mg Give the premeasured dose of 0.3mg epinephrine 1:1000 aqueous solution (0.3cc) by autoinjection.
 - Repeat dose in 15 minutes if EMS has not arrived.
- Twinject 0.15mg Give the premeasured dose of 0.15mg epinephrine 1:2000 aqueous solution (0.3cc) by autoinjection.
 - Repeat dose in 15 minutes if EMS has not arrived.

Check appropriate box:

I believe that this student has received adequate information on how and when to use epinephrine.

- The student is to carry an EpiPen or Twinject during school hours with principal's knowledge. The student can use the EpiPen or Twinject properly in an emergency. One additional dose, to be used as backup, should be kept in clinic or other school location.
- The EpiPen or Twinject will be kept in the school clinic or other school-approved location _____.

Effective Date: Current School Year From _____ To _____

Physician Name (Print or Type)

Physician Signature

Telephone or Fax

Date

Parent or Guardian Name (Print or Type)
(Required if student carries epinephrine)

Parent or Guardian Signature

Telephone

Date

Student Signature
(Required if student carries epinephrine)

Date

PART III PRINCIPAL OR PRINCIPAL DESIGNEE TO COMPLETE

Check as appropriate:

- Parts I and II above are completed including signatures. (It is acceptable if all items in part II are written on the physician's stationery or a prescription pad.)
- Medication is appropriately labeled. _____ Date by which any unused medication is to be collected by the parent
(within one week after expiration of the physician order or on the last day of school.)
- The student has been approved by the principal to carry epinephrine. An individual health care plan and/or procedure must be on file.

Principal or Principal Designee Signature

Date

Information from the Fairfax County Public Schools student scholastic record is released on the condition that the recipient agrees not to permit any other party to have access to such information without the written consent of the parent or of the eligible student.

PARENT INFORMATION ABOUT EPINEPHRINE PROCEDURES

1. Epinephrine may be given in school, during school-sponsored activities, or at SACC only with both physician- and parent- or guardian-signed authorization.
2. This form must be on file in the clinic or in an other approved location. The parent or guardian is responsible for obtaining the physician's statement, part II. For a student who attends SACC, a copy of the medication form must be on file in SACC.
3. A new form must be submitted to the school each school year and whenever there is a change in the dosage or a change in the conditions under which epinephrine is to be injected.
4. A physician may use office stationery or a prescription pad in lieu of completing part II. Information necessary includes:
 - name of student.
 - specific allergen for which epinephrine is being prescribed.
 - route of exposure (e.g., ingestion, skin contact, inhalation, or insect sting or bite).
 - brand name of medication.
 - amount of premeasured epinephrine.
 - time for repeated dose if deemed necessary.
 - duration of medication order and effective dates.
 - physician signature.
 - date.
5. Only premeasured doses of epinephrine may be given by FCPS, FCHD, and SACC staff members.
6. Medication must be properly labeled by a pharmacist. If physician orders include a repeat of EpiPen or Twinject injection for student who carries his or her own, then the parent must supply school with two EpiPens or Twinjects. Expiration date must be clearly indicated.
7. Medication must be hand-delivered to the school clinic by the parent or guardian unless approved for the student to carry during school and SACC hours.
8. A parent is to collect any unused medication within one week after the end of expiration of order or on the last day of school. Medication not claimed within that period shall be destroyed.