

# ILLINOIS FOOD ALLERGY EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN AND TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION

Child's  
Photograph

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

ALLERGY TO: \_\_\_\_\_

Asthma:  Yes (higher risk for a severe reaction)  No

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs

## ANY SEVERE SYMPTOMS AFTER SUSPECTED INGESTION:

LUNG: Short of breath, wheeze, repetitive cough  
HEART: Pale, blue, faint, weak pulse, dizzy, confused  
THROAT: Tight, hoarse, trouble breathing/swallowing  
MOUTH: Obstructive swelling (tongue)  
SKIN: Many hives over body

Or Combination of symptoms from different body areas:

SKIN: Hives, itchy rashes, swelling  
GUT: Vomiting, crampy pain

## INJECT EPINEPHRINE IMMEDIATELY

- Call 911
- Begin monitoring (see below)
- Additional medications:
- Antihistamine
- Inhaler (bronchodilator) if asthma

\*Inhalers/bronchodilators and antihistamines are not to be depended upon to treat a severe reaction (anaphylaxis) → Use Epinephrine.\*

\*\*When in doubt, use epinephrine. Symptoms can rapidly become more severe.\*\*

## MILD SYMPTOMS ONLY

Mouth: Itchy mouth  
Skin: A few hives around mouth/face, mild itch  
Gut: Mild nausea/discomfort

## GIVE ANTIHISTAMINE

– Stay with child, alert health care professionals and parent.

**IF SYMPTOMS PROGRESS (see above), INJECT EPINEPHRINE**

If checked, give epinephrine for ANY symptoms if the allergen was likely eaten.

If checked, give epinephrine before symptoms if the allergen was definitely eaten.

## MEDICATIONS/DOSES

EPINEPHRINE (BRAND AND DOSE): \_\_\_\_\_

ANTIHISTAMINE (BRAND AND DOSE): \_\_\_\_\_

Other (e.g., inhaler-bronchodilator if asthma): \_\_\_\_\_

**MONITORING: Stay with the child. Tell rescue squad epinephrine was given. A second dose of epinephrine can be given a few minutes or more after the first if symptoms persist or recur. For a severe reaction, consider keeping child lying on back with legs raised. Treat child even if parents cannot be reached.**

Student may self-carry epinephrine

Student may self-administer epinephrine

**CONTACTS: Call 911 Rescue squad: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_**

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Physician Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby authorize the school district staff members to take whatever action in their judgment may be necessary in supplying emergency medical services consistent with this plan, including the administration of medication to my child. I understand that the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act protects staff members from liability arising from actions consistent with this plan. I also hereby authorize the school district staff members to disclose my child's protected health information to chaperones and other non-employee volunteers at the school or at school events and field trips to the extent necessary for the protection, prevention of an allergic reaction, or emergency treatment of my child and for the implementation of this plan.

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Self Carry and Self Administer apply only for EpiPen & Quick-relief Inhaler).

AS NEEDED FOR EMERGENCY

SELF CARRY

SELF ADMINISTER

**FOR SELF CARRY/ADMINISTER ONLY**

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is permitted to self administer the medication above. He/she understands the use for the medication and the necessity to report to school staff any unusual side effects. He/she is able to self carry and self administer the above independently. I indemnify and hold harmless the School District and its employees and agents, against any claims, except a claim based on willful and wanton conduct, arising out of self carry by the student.

**FOR SELF CARRY ONLY**

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is permitted to self carry, but not self administer, the medication above. I indemnify and hold harmless the School District and its employees and agents, against any claims, except a claim based on willful and wanton conduct, arising out of the student's self carry of the medication.

**\*\*ALL MEDICATIONS, BOTH OVER THE COUNTER OR PRESCRIPTION, NEED A PARENT AND A PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE.** All medications are required to be delivered by a parent/guardian, with the prescription label. All medications will be discarded 2 weeks after the last school day if not picked up. A new completed Medication Authorization Form is required at the beginning of every school year or when there is a change in the student's medical needs as indicated on this form.\*\*