

TRAINING PROGRAM FOR UNLICENSED SCHOOL-PERSONNEL TO ADMINISTER EPINEPHRINE BY AUTO-INJECTOR IN LIFE-THREATENING SITUATIONS

APPENDIX B

(adapted from "Managing Life Threatening Food Allergies in School", Massachusetts Dept. of Education)

Purpose:

To provide unlicensed school personnel with basic knowledge and skills to administer epinephrine by auto-injector in a life-threatening situation

Instructor:

School nurse or physician

Objectives:

Upon completion of training, the participant(s) will demonstrate the following competencies:

- *identify common causes of allergic emergencies;
- *accurately recognize general and student-specific warning signs of allergic emergency;
- *accurately identify student for whom the epinephrine is prescribed;
- *accurately read and interpret the allergy response plan;
- *correctly follow directions on the allergy response plan;
- *accurately read the epinephrine label and follow directions from the label;
- *administer epinephrine by auto-injector;
- *safely handle epinephrine in an auto-injector;
- *accurately describe the school's plan for responding to emergencies;
- *access resources appropriately, including emergency medical services, school nurse, parents and physician.

EPINEPHRINE COMPETENCY SKILL CHECKLIST

Name and Title of Staff Person: _____

The following competencies have been demonstrated by the staff person:

- _____ States the responsibilities of the school nurse for training and supervision
- _____ Identifies the common causes of allergic emergencies
- _____ Describes general and student-specific warning signs of allergic emergency
- _____ Demonstrates how to activate the school's plan for responding to emergencies
- _____ Identifies student for whom the epinephrine is prescribed
- _____ Interprets accurately the emergency medication administration plan
- _____ Follows the directions on the Allergy Response Plan
- _____ Reads the label on the epinephrine auto-injector, assuring the correct dosage
- _____ Demonstrates safe handling of epinephrine auto-injector
- _____ Demonstrates correct procedure for giving epinephrine by auto-injector
- _____ Demonstrates how to access emergency medical services, school nurse, student's parent/guardian or other emergency contacts, student's physician

Comments: _____

Signatures:

Supervised by: _____ RN or MD

Staff Person: _____

Date: _____