

**ADMINISTERING MEDICATION AND MONITORING HEALTH CONDITIONS OF ALL STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE DISTRICT**

The Governing Board believes that regular school attendance is critical to student learning and that students who need to take medication prescribed or ordered for them by their authorized health care providers should have an opportunity to participate in the educational program, therefore, some students may need to take medication prescribed by a physician during the school day in order to be able to attend school. The Superintendent or designee shall develop processes for the administration of medication to such students by school personnel.

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)

(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)

Any medication prescribed for a student with a disability who is qualified to receive services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 shall be administered in accordance with the student's individualized education program or Section 504 services plan as applicable.

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

Note: 5 CCR 604 authorizes a parent/guardian to administer medication to his/her child or designate an individual to administer the medication, as specified below. In addition, California law allows students to carry and self-administer medication needed for the treatment or management of certain medical conditions, when the district has received a written request from the student's parent/guardian and written authorization from the student's authorized health care provider, as specified in the accompanying administrative regulation. Students have legal authorization to self-administer diabetes medication pursuant to Education Code 49414.5, auto-injectable epinephrine for anaphylactic reactions pursuant to Education Code 49423, and inhaled asthma medication pursuant to Education Code 49423.1. Pursuant to 5 CCR 605, districts may choose to allow students to carry and self-administer other types of medication beyond those specifically authorized by the Education Code.

For the administration of medication to other students during school or school-related activities, the Superintendent or designee shall develop protocols which shall include options for allowing a parent/guardian to administer medication to his/her child at school, designate other individuals to do so on his/her behalf, and, with the child's authorized health care provider's approval, request the district's permission for his/her child to self-administer a medication or self-monitor and/or self-test for a medical condition. Such processes shall be implemented in a manner that preserves campus security, minimizes instructional interruptions, and promotes student safety and privacy.

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(cf. 1250 - Visitors/Outsiders)

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)

(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)

(cf. 6116 - Classroom Interruptions)

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with city and county emergency responders, including local public health administrators, to design procedures or measures for addressing an emergency such as a public disaster or epidemic.

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

### **Administration of Medication by School Personnel**

Note: Various provisions of state law allow districts to train nonmedical district employees (i.e., those who do not possess a medical license) to provide medical assistance to students at school when a credentialed school nurse or other licensed individual is unavailable. For example, Education Code 49414.4, 49414.5, and 49414.7 authorize the use of trained, unlicensed school employees to administer emergency medications to students suffering from allergic reactions, severe hypoglycemia, and epileptic seizures. Moreover, in *American Nurses Association v. Torlakson*, the California Supreme Court held that, as with other prescription medications, state law permits trained, unlicensed school personnel to administer insulin to students in school in accordance with a written health care provider statement and parental consent.

Any medication prescribed by an authorized health care provider, including, but not limited to, emergency antiseizure medication for a student who suffers epileptic seizures, auto-injectable epinephrine, insulin, or glucagon, may be administered by the school nurse or other designated school personnel only when the Superintendent or designee has received written statements from both the student's parent/guardian and authorized health care provider. (Education Code 49414.7, 49423; 5 CCR 600)

Note: Certain medication-specific statutes that authorize unlicensed district employees to administer medication to students require that such employees be trained. For example, Education Code 49414.7 requires training by qualified medical personnel for unlicensed district employees who volunteer to administer emergency antiseizure medications to students who suffer epileptic seizures. Guidelines for the training and supervision of such unlicensed school employees have been adopted as 5 CCR 620-627 and are specified in the accompanying administrative regulation.

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When medically unlicensed school personnel are authorized by law to administer any medication to students, such as emergency antiseizure medication, auto-injectable epinephrine, insulin, or glucagon, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that school personnel designated to administer any medication receive appropriate training and, as necessary, retraining from qualified medical personnel before any medication is administered. At a minimum, the training shall cover how and when such medication should be administered, the recognition of symptoms and treatment, emergency follow-up procedures, and the proper documentation and storage of medication. Such trained, unlicensed designated school personnel shall be supervised by, and provided with immediate communication access to, a school nurse, physician, or other appropriate individual. (Education Code [49414](#), [49414.5](#), [49414.7](#), [49423](#), [49423.1](#))

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain documentation of the training and ongoing supervision, as well as annual written verification of competency of other designated school personnel.

*(cf. [4131](#) - Staff Development)*

*(cf. [4231](#) - Staff Development)*

*(cf. [4331](#) - Staff Development)*

School nurses and other designated school personnel shall administer medications to students in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation and shall be afforded appropriate liability protection.

*(cf. [3530](#) - Risk Management/Insurance)*

*(cf. [4119.42/4219.42/4319.42](#) - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens)*

*(cf. [4119.43/4219.43/4319.43](#) - Universal Precautions)*

If the parent/guardian so chooses, he/she may administer the medication to his/her child. In addition, the parent/guardian may designate another individual who is not a school employee to administer the medication to the student.

### **Self-Administration and Monitoring**

Upon written request by the parent/guardian and with the approval of the student's physician, a student with a medical condition that requires frequent treatment, monitoring, or testing may be allowed to self-administer, self-monitor, and/or self-test. The student shall observe universal precautions in the handling of blood and other bodily fluids. Protocols for self-administration shall include adult supervision.

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(cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - *Universal Precautions*)

(cf. 5141 - *Health Care and Emergencies*)

(cf. 5141.23 - *Infectious Disease Prevention*)

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

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49407 *Liability for treatment*

49408 *Emergency information*

49414 *Emergency epinephrine auto-injectors*

49414.5 *Providing school personnel with voluntary emergency training*

49423 *Administration of prescribed medication for student*

49423.1 *Inhaled asthma medication, conditions upon which pupil may carry and self-administer medication*

49423.5 *Specialized health care services*

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2726 *Authority not conferred*

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4119.2 *Acquisition of epinephrine auto-injectors*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

600-611 *Administering medication to students*

620-627 *Administration of emergency antiseizure medication by trained volunteer nonmedical school personnel*

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1232g *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974*

1400-1482 *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

794 *Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504*

COURT DECISIONS

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**SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
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Note: 5 CCR 600-611 provide permissive guidelines for districts in the administration of prescribed medication to students. Pursuant to 5 CCR 611, the California Department of Education may provide annual guidance to districts on such administration.

Authorized health care provider means an individual who is licensed by the State of California to prescribe or order medication, including, but not limited to, a physician or physician assistant. (Education Code 49423; 5 CCR 601)

Other designated school personnel means any individual employed by the district, including a nonmedical school employee, who has volunteered or consented to administer medication or otherwise assist the student and who may legally administer the medication to the student or assist the student in the administration of the medication. (5 CCR 601, 621)

Medication may include not only a substance dispensed in the United States by prescription, but also a substance that does not require a prescription, such as over-the-counter remedies, nutritional supplements, and herbal remedies. (5 CCR 601)

Emergency medical assistance for a student suffering an epileptic seizure means the administration of an emergency antiseizure medication such as diazepam rectal gel and other emergency medications approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for patients suffering from epileptic seizures. (Education Code 49414.7; 5 CCR 621)

Epinephrine auto-injector means a disposable drug delivery system with a spring-activated needle that is designed for emergency administration of epinephrine to provide rapid, convenient first aid for persons suffering a potentially fatal reaction to anaphylaxis. (Education Code 49414)

Anaphylaxis means a potentially life-threatening hypersensitivity to a substance, which may result from an insect sting, food allergy, drug reaction, exercise, or other cause. Symptoms may include shortness of breath, wheezing, difficulty breathing, difficulty talking or swallowing, hives, itching, swelling, shock, or asthma. (Education Code 49414)

(cf. 5141.23 - *Asthma Management*)

(cf. 5141.27 - *Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs*)

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**Definitions**

*Other designated school personnel* may include any individual employed by the district who has consented to administer the medication or otherwise assist the student, and who may legally administer the medication. (5 CCR 601)

*Medication* may include not only a substance dispensed in the United States by prescription, but also a substance that does not require a prescription, such as over-the-counter remedies, nutritional supplements, and herbal remedies. (5 CCR 601)

**Notifications to Parents/Guardians**

Note: Pursuant to Education Code 48980, districts must notify parents/guardians, at the beginning of each school year, of their rights and responsibilities (see section "Parent/Guardian Responsibilities" below) under Education Code 49423 pertaining to the administration of medication by school employees and self-administration of epinephrine by students. Though notification is not required for self-administration of any medication other than epinephrine, it is recommended that the annual notification include other medications to facilitate implementation by school personnel.

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians that students who need to take prescribed medication during the school day may be assisted by a school nurse or designated school personnel or allowed to self-administer certain medication as long as the district receives written statements from the student's physician and parent/guardian in accordance with law, and the rights and responsibilities of parents/guardians regarding those options. (Education Code 49480), Board policy and administrative regulation. (Education Code 48980, 49423)

*(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)*

The Superintendent or designee shall inform the parents/guardians of any student on a continuing medication regimen for a nonepisodic condition of the following requirements: (Education Code 49480)

1. The parent/guardian is required to inform the school nurse or other designated employee of the medication being taken, the current dosage and the name of the supervising physician.

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2. With the parent/guardian's consent, the school nurse or other designated employee may communicate with the student's physician regarding the medication and its effects, and may counsel school personnel regarding the possible effects of the medication on the student's physical, intellectual and social behavior, as well as possible behavioral signs and symptoms of adverse side effects, omission or overdose.

**Parent/Guardian Responsibilities**

Before a designated employee administers or assists in the administration of any prescribed medication to any student or any student is allowed to carry and self-administer prescription auto-injectable epinephrine or prescription inhaled asthma medication during school hours, the district shall have a written statement from the student's physician and a written statement from the student's parent/guardian. (Education Code 49423, 49423.1; 5 CCR 600)

The responsibilities of the parent/guardian of any student who may need medication during the school day shall include, but are not limited to:

Note: Education Code 49423 and 5 CCR 600 authorize districts to administer prescribed medication only upon receipt of written statements from the student's authorized health care provider and parent/guardian. Education Code 49414.7 and 5 CCR 626 require similar statements before school personnel may administer emergency antiseizure medication to students. In addition, appropriate statements must be received before students are allowed to carry and self-administer diabetes medication pursuant to Education Code 49414.5, auto-injectable epinephrine pursuant to Education Code 49423, or asthma medication pursuant to Education Code 49423.1. Districts may choose to allow students to carry and self-administer other types of medication beyond those authorized by the Education Code. If so, the district should modify the following section accordingly.

1. Providing parent/guardian and authorized health care provider written statements each school year as described in the sections "Parent/Guardian Statement" and "Health Care Provider Statement" below. The parent/guardian shall provide a new authorized health care provider's statement if the medication, dosage, frequency of administration, or reason for administration changes. (Education Code 49414.5, 49414.7, 49423, 49423.1; 5 CCR 600, 626)
2. If the student is on a continuing medication regimen for a nonepisodic condition, informing the school nurse or other designated certificated employee of the medication being taken, the current dosage, and the name of the supervising physician and updating the information when needed. (Education Code 49480)



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Note: Pursuant to Education Code 49414.7, if the district chooses to participate in a program to train nonmedical school employees who volunteer to provide emergency medical assistance to students suffering from epileptic seizures when licensed health care professionals are not available onsite, it must establish a district plan that includes item #3 below.

3. If the student suffers from epilepsy, notifying the principal or designee whenever the student has had an emergency antiseizure medication administered to him/her within the past four hours on a school day. (Education Code 49414.7)

Note: Pursuant to 5 CCR 606, the district is authorized to establish rules for the delivery and storage of medication on a school site.

4. Providing medications in properly labeled, original containers along with the authorized health care provider's instructions. For prescribed or ordered medication, the container also shall bear the name and telephone number of the pharmacy, the student's identification, and the name and phone number of the authorized health care provider. (5 CCR 606)

Note: Pursuant to Education Code 49423, as amended by SB 1912 (Ch. 846, Statutes of 2004), and Education Code 49423.1, as added by AB 2132 (Ch. 832, Statutes of 2004), the physician's written statement must contain the components specified below.

The physician's written statement shall clearly: (Education Code 49423, 49423.1; 5 CCR 602)

1. Identify the student
2. Identify the medication
3. Specify the method, amount and time schedules by which the medication is to be taken
4. Contain the name, address, telephone number and signature of the physician
5. If a parent/guardian has requested that his/her child be allowed to self-administer prescription auto-injectable epinephrine or prescription inhaled asthma medication, confirm that the student is able to self-administer the medication

Note: 5 CCR 603 authorizes the district to establish specifications regarding the parent/guardian's written statement in order to ensure that the conditions below are satisfied.

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The parent/guardian's written statement shall:

1. Identify the student
2. Grant permission for the authorized district representative to communicate directly with the student's physician, as may be necessary, regarding the physician's written statement or any other questions that may arise with regard to the medication AR 5141.21(c)
3. Contain an acknowledgment that the parent/guardian understands how district employees will administer or otherwise assist the student in the administration of medication
4. Contain an acknowledgment that the parent/guardian understands his/her responsibilities to enable district employees to administer or otherwise assist the student in the administration of medication including, but not limited to, the parent/guardian's responsibility to provide a written statement from the physician and to ensure that the medication is delivered to the school in a proper container by an individual legally authorized to be in possession of the medication, and to provide all necessary supplies and equipment
5. Contain an acknowledgment that the parent/guardian may terminate consent for such administration of the medication or for otherwise assisting the student in the administration of medication at any time

In addition to the requirements in items #1-5 above, if a parent/guardian has requested that his/her child be allowed to carry and self-administer prescription auto-injectable epinephrine or prescription inhaled asthma medication, the parent/guardian's written statement shall also: (Education Code 49423, 49423.1)

1. Consent to the self-administration.
2. Release the district and school personnel from civil liability if a student suffers an adverse reaction as a result of self-administering the medication

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In addition to the requirements in items #1-5 above, if a parent/guardian wishes to designate an individual who is not an employee of the district to administer medication to his/her child, the parent/guardian's written statement shall clearly identify the individual and shall state:

1. The individual's willingness to accept the designation
2. That the individual is permitted to be on the school site
3. Any limitations on the individual's authority

Parents/guardians shall provide medications in a properly labeled, original container along with the physician's instructions. For prescribed medication, the container shall bear the name and telephone number of the pharmacy, the student's identification, name and phone number of the physician, and physician's instructions. Medications that are not in their original container shall not be accepted or administered. Medications shall be delivered to the school by the parent/guardian, unless the Superintendent or designee authorizes another method of delivery.

**Health Care Provider Statement**

Note: Education Code 49423 and 49423.1 and 5 CCR 602 list items that the authorized health care provider's written statement must contain, as specified in items #1-4 below. Education Code 49414.7 and 5 CCR 626 contain requirements similar to items #1-3 for the administration of emergency epilepsy medication. Districts that request additional information in the statement should modify the following list accordingly.

When any district employee is to administer prescribed medication to a student, or when a student is to be allowed to carry and self-administer auto-injectable epinephrine or prescribed diabetes or asthma medication during school hours, the authorized health care provider's written statement shall include:

1. Clear identification of the student (Education Code 49414.7, 49423, 49423.1; 5 CCR 602, 626)
2. The name of the medication (Education Code 49414.7, 49423, 49423.1; 5 CCR 602, 626)
3. The method, amount, and time schedules by which the medication is to be taken (Education Code 49414.7, 49423, 49423.1; 5 CCR 602, 626)

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4. If a parent/guardian has requested that his/her child be allowed to self-administer medication, confirmation that the student is able to self-administer the medication (Education Code 49423, 49423.1; 5 CCR 602)
5. For medication that is to be administered on an as-needed basis, the specific symptoms that would necessitate administration of the medication, allowable frequency for administration, and indications for referral for medical evaluation
6. Possible side effects of the medication
7. Name, address, telephone number, and signature of the student's authorized health care provider

When authorizing a district employee to administer emergency antiseizure medication to a student, the authorized health care provider's written statement shall also include the following: (Education Code 49414.7; 5 CCR 626)

1. Detailed seizure symptoms, including frequency, type, or length of seizures that identify when the administration of the medication becomes necessary
2. Any potential adverse responses by the student and recommended mitigation actions, including when to call emergency services
3. A protocol for observing the student after a seizure, including, but not limited to, whether he/she should rest in the school office or return to his/her class and the length of time he/she should be under direct observation
4. A statement that, following a seizure, a school administrator or other staff member shall contact the school nurse and the student's parent/guardian to continue the observation plan

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The parent/guardian of a student on a continuing medication regimen for a nonepisodic condition shall inform the school nurse or other designated certificated employee of the medication being taken, the current dosage and the name of the supervising physician.

A parent /guardian may designate an individual who is not an employee of the district to administer medication to his/her child as long as the individual is clearly identified, willing to accept the designation, permitted to be on the school site, and any limitations on the individual's authority are clearly established. The parent/guardian shall provide a written statement designating the individual and containing the information required above. The school may require that parent train provider in presence of a district nurse, signed medication log and determine location where medication is to be administered.

**Designated Employee/District Responsibilities**

The school nurse or other designated school personnel shall:

1. Administer or assist in administering the medication in accordance with the physician's written statement
2. Accept delivery of medication from the student's parent/guardian, including counting and recording the medication upon receipt
3. Maintain a list of students needing medication during the school day, including the type of medication, times and dosage, as well as a list of students who are authorized to self-administer medication
4. Maintain for each student a medication log which may:
  - a. Specify the student's name, medication, dose, method of administration, time of administration during the regular school day, date(s) on which the student is required to take the medication, and the authorized health care provider's name and contact information

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- b. Contain space for daily recording of the date, time, and amount of medication administered, and the signature of the individual administering the medication
5. Maintain for each student a medication record which may include the authorized health care provider's written statement, the parent/guardian's written statement, the medication log, and any other written documentation related to the administration of medication to the student
6. Ensure that student confidentiality is appropriately maintained

(cf. 5125 - *Student Records*)

5. Maintain for each student a medication record including the authorized health care provider's written statement, the parent/guardian's written statement, the medication log, and any other written documentation related to the administration of medication to the student
6. Ensure that student confidentiality is appropriately maintained

(cf. 5125 - *Student Records*)

7. Coordinate and, as appropriate, ensure the administration of medication during field trips and after-school activities

(cf. 5148.2 - *Before/After School Programs*)

(cf. 6145.2 - *Athletic Competition*)

(cf. 6153 - *School-Sponsored Trips*)

8. Report to a student's parent/guardian and the site administrator any refusal by the student to take his/her medication
9. Keep all medication to be administered by the district in a locked drawer or cabinet
10. As needed, communicate with a student's authorized health care provider and/or pharmacist regarding the medication and its effects
11. Counsel other designated school personnel regarding the possible effects of a medication on a student's physical, intellectual and social behavior, as well as possible behavioral signs and symptoms of adverse side effects, omission or overdose.

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Note: 5 CCR 609 authorizes the district to establish policies regarding unused, discontinued, or outdated medication.

12. By the end of the school year, ensure that unused, discontinued and outdated medication is returned to the student's parent/guardian where possible or, if the medication cannot be returned, is disposed of in accordance with state laws and local ordinances
13. Provide immediate medical assistance if needed and report to the site administrator, the student's parent/guardian, and, if necessary, the student's authorized health care provider any instance when a medication is not administered properly, including administration of the wrong medication or failure to administer the medication in accordance with authorized health care provider's written statement

**Additional Requirements for Management of Epileptic Seizures**

Note: Pursuant to Education Code 49414.7, when a district chooses to participate in a program to train nonmedical district employees who volunteer to provide emergency medical assistance to students suffering from epileptic seizures when licensed health care professionals are not available on site, the district is required to satisfy specific requirements, including developing a district plan with certain components. The requirements of Education Code 49414.7 that are similar to the requirements for administration of other types of medication are addressed in previous sections. Other requirements that are unique to this program are reflected in the following section.

In addition to applicable provisions in the sections above, the Superintendent or designee shall make arrangements for assisting students with epilepsy who may suffer a seizure at school. Such arrangements shall include the following: (Education Code 49414.7; 5 CCR 620-627)

1. Services or Accommodations: Whenever a parent/guardian requests that a nonmedical district employee be trained to provide emergency medical assistance to his/her child, the parent/guardian shall be notified that the child may qualify for services or accommodations pursuant to 20 USC 1400-1482, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), or 29 USC 794, Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504).

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)

(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

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The Superintendent or designee shall assist the parent/guardian to explore that option and shall encourage him/her to adopt the option if the student is determined to be eligible for such service or accommodation.

If the student's parent/guardian refuses to have him/her assessed for services or accommodations under IDEA or Section 504, the Superintendent or designee may develop an individualized health plan, seizure action plan, or other appropriate health plan designed to acknowledge and prepare for the student's health care needs in school.

2. Request for Volunteers: The Superintendent or designee shall distribute an electronic notice to school staff no more than twice per school year per student whose parent/guardian has requested provision of emergency medical assistance pursuant to Education Code 49414.7. The notice shall be in bold print and, in accordance with Education Code 49414.7, shall contain a description of the request for a volunteer school employee, the training that such volunteer school employee will receive, the voluntary nature of the program, and the timelines for the volunteer school employee to rescind his/her offer. No other means of soliciting volunteer school employees shall be conducted.

*(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)*

If no employee volunteers to administer emergency antiseizure medication to a student, the Superintendent or designee shall again notify the student's parent/guardian of the option to have the student assessed for services and accommodations under IDEA or Section 504.

3. Training: Any employee who volunteers to administer an emergency antiseizure medication shall receive from a licensed health care professional the training specified in 5 CCR 623 before administering such medication. The training shall include, but is not limited to:
  - a. Recognition and treatment of different types of seizures
  - b. Administration of an emergency antiseizure medication
  - c. Basic emergency follow-up procedures, including, but not limited to, a requirement for the principal or designee to call the emergency 911 telephone number and to contact the student's parent/guardian, but not necessarily to transport the student to an emergency room
  - d. Techniques and procedures to ensure student privacy



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*(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)*

*(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)*

*(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)*

*(cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights)*

When a trained employee has not administered an emergency antiseizure medication to a student within two years after completing the training and a student who may need the administration of an emergency antiseizure medication is enrolled in the school, the employee shall be retrained in order to retain the ability to administer an emergency antiseizure medication.

4. Notification of Administration: The Superintendent or designee shall establish a process for notifying the credentialed school nurse, or the Superintendent or designee as applicable, whenever an employee administers an emergency antiseizure medication to a student at a school site.
5. Supervision of Volunteers: Volunteer school employees shall be supervised by a licensed health care professional in accordance with 5 CCR 627.

**Emergency Epinephrine Auto-Injectors**

Note: As amended by SB 1266 (Ch. 321, Statutes of 2014), Education Code 49414 requires districts to provide epinephrine auto-injectors to school nurses or other employees who volunteer and receive training, which they may use to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from an anaphylactic reaction. SB 1266 deleted the requirement to develop a district plan related to the use of epinephrine auto-injectors.

The Governing Board recognizes that increasing numbers of children and adults are experiencing life-threatening severe allergic reactions (anaphylaxis) which require an immediate administration of an epinephrine auto-injector in order to sustain life. This emergency reaction may occur in individuals with previously identified allergies as well as individuals who have no known history of anaphylaxis.

The Governing Board recognizes that school districts (county office of education or charter schools) shall provide emergency epinephrine auto-injectors to school nurses and trained personnel who have volunteered and school nurses or trained personnel may use epinephrine auto-injectors to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering from an anaphylactic reaction.

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The Governing Board recognizes that the epinephrine auto-injectors are to be furnished exclusively for use at the school district site (or county education or charter school site) and that qualified supervisor of health (or administrator if there is no qualified supervisor of health) shall obtain from an authorizing physician and surgeon a prescription that, at minimum, includes one regular and one junior epinephrine auto-injector elementary and one regular for middle and high schools.

Pursuant to education code 49414, a notice shall be distributed at least once a year to all staff that contains a description of a volunteer and a description of the training that the volunteer will receive. Trained volunteer personnel shall be provided with defense and indemnification for any and all civil liability, in accordance with, but not limited to, that provided in Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810) or Title I of the Government Code. This information shall be reduced to writing, provided to the volunteer and retained in the volunteer's personnel file.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide epinephrine auto-injectors to school nurses or other employees who have volunteered to administer them in an emergency and have received training. The school nurse, or a volunteer employee when a school nurse or physician is unavailable, may administer an epinephrine auto-injector to provide emergency medical aid to any person suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from potentially life-threatening symptoms of anaphylaxis at school or a school activity. (Education Code 49414)

Note: As amended by SB 1266 (Ch. 321, Statutes of 2014), Education Code 49414 requires the following annual notification to all staff.

At least once per school year, the Superintendent or designee shall distribute to all staff a notice requesting volunteers to be trained to administer an epinephrine auto-injector and describing the training that the volunteer will receive. (Education Code 49414)

Note: Education Code 49414 specifies topics to be included in training for employees who volunteer to be trained in the use of epinephrine auto-injectors. As amended by SB 1266 (Ch. 321, Statutes of 2014), Education Code 49414 requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in consultation with specified agencies and organizations, to review the minimum standards for the training at least every five years. These standards are available on the California Department of Education's web site.

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The principal or designee at each school may designate one or more volunteers to receive initial and annual refresher training, which shall be provided by a school nurse or other qualified person designated by a physician and surgeon authorized pursuant to Education Code 49414, and shall be based on the standards developed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Written materials covering the required topics for training shall be retained by the school for reference. (Education Code 49414)

Note: Education Code 49414, as amended by SB 1266 (Ch. 321, Statutes of 2014), specifies the type of epinephrine auto-injectors that must be provided to each school and the district personnel authorized to obtain the prescriptions. The following paragraphs may be revised to reflect the position(s) assigned to fulfill this responsibility and the grade levels maintained by the district.

A school nurse or other qualified supervisor of health, or a district administrator if the district does not have a qualified supervisor of health, shall obtain a prescription for epinephrine auto-injectors for each school from an authorized physician and surgeon. Such prescription may be filled by local or mail order pharmacies or epinephrine auto-injector manufacturers. Elementary schools shall, at a minimum, be provided one adult (regular) and one junior epinephrine auto-injector. Secondary schools shall be provided at least one adult (regular) epinephrine auto-injector, unless there are any students at the school who require a junior epinephrine auto-injector. (Education Code 49414)

If an epinephrine auto-injector is used, the school nurse or other qualified supervisor of health shall restock the epinephrine auto-injector as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than two weeks after it is used. In addition, epinephrine auto-injectors shall be restocked before their expiration date. (Education Code 49414)

Information regarding defense and indemnification provided by the district for any and all civil liability for volunteers administering epinephrine auto-injectors shall be provided to each volunteer and retained in his/her personnel file. (Education Code 49414)

(cf. 4112.6/4212.6/4312.6 - *Personnel Files*)

A school may accept gifts, grants, and donations from any source for the support of the school in carrying of the requirements of Education Code 49414, including, but not limited to, the acceptance of epinephrine auto-injectors from a manufacturer or wholesaler. (Education Code 49414)

(cf. 3290 - *Gifts, Grants and Bequests*)

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The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records regarding the acquisition and disposition of epinephrine auto-injectors for a period of three years from the date the records were created. (Business and Professions Code 4119.2)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

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