

RYE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
RYE, NEW YORK

5421

USE OF EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR DEVICES

The Rye City School District recognizes that early use of Epinephrine can enhance the survival rate of individuals from incidents of anaphylaxis. Therefore, it is the policy of the District to make Epinephrine Auto Injectors available to Registered Nurses and substitute Registered Nurses employed by the District and to authorize their use in accordance with the Medical Practice Act §6527[4][a], Education Law), the Nurse Practice Act (§6908[1][a][iv], Education Law) and §§3000-a and 3000-c of the Public Health Law. Other District employees (such as coaches) may also be authorized to use Epinephrine Auto Injectors upon successful completion of an approved training course in the use of such devices. An Emergency Health Care Provider, as defined in §3000-c of the Public Health Law, shall be appointed to provide medical oversight for the use of Epinephrine Auto Injectors by District employees.

Documentation of training must be maintained in the Anaphylaxis Protocol for Non-Licensed School Staff Members for each affected student. The emergency response by non-licensed school staff members is permitted under the Medical Practice Act (Education Law section 6527(4)(a)) and the Nurse Practice Act (Education Law section 6908(1)(a)(iv)) and is covered by the “Good Samaritan Law” (Public Health Law section 3000-a).

The Superintendent, in collaboration with the School Physician and Emergency Health Care Provider, shall develop regulations and protocols governing the use of Epinephrine Auto Injectors by employees of the District.

*References: Medical Practice Act §6527[4][a], Education Law
Nurse Practice Act (§6908[1][a][iv], Education Law
§§3000-a, 3000-c of the Public Health Law
Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 United States Code (USC) Section 12101 et seq.
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) 20 United States Code (USC) Sections 1400-1485
34 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 300
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 United States Code (USC) Section 794 et seq.*

Adoption Date: March 11, 2003

Revised Policy Adoption Date: July 1, 2015