

14th February 2019

Dear

We are currently updating the health condition information for all our students. If your child has a health condition (e.g. tube feed, suctioning, medication, allergies, epilepsy, anaphylaxis, asthma), which requires support at school or when involved in school activities (e.g. a school excursion), would you please complete the attached form – *Request for support at school of a student's health condition*.

You may wish to discuss the information required with a medical practitioner. The form includes sections where you can request the administration of prescribed medication and/or other assistance (e.g. suctioning, tube feeds, catheterisation).

When we receive the completed forms, we will discuss it with all relevant staff and send home a completed Health Care Procedure to be signed. If an Emergency Care/Response Plan is required, your child's class teacher will contact you to discuss this.

Please advise the school immediately if there are changes in the information about your child's health care needs or if we can assist you.

Yours Sincerely



Leonie Donaldson
Principal

Request for Support at School of a Student's Health Condition

This request form includes 4 sections:

1. Student details
2. Request for administering prescribed medication
3. Request for other support
4. Parent and emergency contact details

Please remember to sign and date the form before returning it to school.

1. Student details

First name: Last name:

Date of Birth: Class:

Diagnosis:

Health/medical condition:
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Does your child have any of the following?

- Anaphylaxis (requires an ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis to be provided from the doctor)
- Epilepsy (requires an Epilepsy Plan to be provided from the doctor)
- Asthma (requires an Asthma Action Plan to be provided from the doctor)
- Allergies
- Medication (at home or at school)
- Health Care procedures (i.e. suctioning, tube feeds, catheterisation)

Could your child experience an emergency reaction in relation to this condition? Yes No

Doctor's name/medical centre:

Doctor's address:

Doctor's phone number:



Please provide the name, address and phone number of any other doctor or medical specialist who may currently be treating your child.

Allergy/medical condition	Doctor's name	Address	Telephone

If your child has a documented plan to support any health or medical needs from a previous school or organisation (eg preschool, occasional care, etc) please provide it to the school as an attachment to this form.

2. Request for administering prescribed medication to the student

Note: if your child is to take more than one prescribed medication, please attach a separate request for each medication.

Name of prescribed medication:

Prescribed for (name of medical condition):

Prescribed dosage:

What are you requesting the school to do?

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Expiry date of the medication:

Note: if you can't provide this information now we will need to know the expiry date when the medication is given to the school.

Special storage requirements if any (e.g. in refrigerator):

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Special instructions for administering the prescribed medication/s (e.g. must be taken with food or with a glass of water):

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Through information you have obtained from your doctor or got yourself, are you aware of any likely side effects from the prescribed medication?

Yes No

If Yes, Please provide more information:

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If your child administers his or her own medication at home, do you request that he or she self administers this medication at school?

Yes No

Note: the Principal needs to approve a decision for a student to self administer.

If yes, please describe what support your child needs to administer the medication in a non emergency situation at school. You may like to include information about how you support your child at home to administer their medication.

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Secure delivery of prescribed medication is important for the safety of your child as well as for the safety of other students in the school.

Please name the person who will carry the medication to school:

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Note: if you are unable to deliver the medication to school, it is advisable that you nominate a responsible person, who is not a school staff member, to transport the medication to the school.

For some medications and some students it can be appropriate for them to carry their own medication to and at school (e.g. asthma reliever medication and Epipen). If your child is to carry their own medication we want to be able to support this and request some information so that we are well informed.

Note: The school may still need you to provide the school with an additional supply of the medication for storage in central location/s within the school and for use if your child needs the schools help.

Would you like the Principal to consider a request for your child to carry their medication?

Yes No

Note: The Principal needs to approve a decision for a student to carry their own medication at school.

If yes, please describe where and how your child will carry this medication, for example, my child will carry it on their person in a medical pouch or bum bag.

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Note: All medication must be clearly labelled by the chemist with your child's name and time for administration.



3. Request for other support

Please provide details of any other health care support needs of your child while they are at school and involved in school activities (e.g. suctioning, tube feeds, catheterisation).

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4. Parent contact details

Name:

Relationship to child:

Address:

Home phone: Work phone:

Mobile phone:

Email:

Parent or carer signature: Date:

Privacy notice

The information requested on the form is essential for assisting the school to plan for the support of your child's health needs. It will be used by the NSW Department of Education and Communities for the development of arrangements with you to support your child's health needs. Provision of this information is voluntary. If you do not provide all or any of this information, the school's capacity to support your child's health needs could be impaired. This information will be stored securely. You may correct any personal information provided at any time by contacting the Principal.