

Annual Notification of Epinephrine Volunteer Training

The office of the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools (FCSS), pursuant to Education Code 49414(f), hereby provides annual notice to all staff that it requests volunteers from among its employees to be trained and willing to administer epinephrine auto-injectors to persons experiencing an anaphylactic response at any FCSS facility. Volunteers will receive training in:

- a. An ability to identify anaphylaxis (a severe reaction to a specific allergen or allergic trigger)
- b. An ability to identify where epinephrine auto-injectors are stored at relevant school site(s)
- c. A Knowledge of Roles-
 - i. Who will manage other pupils
 - ii. Who will stay with an anaphylactic pupil (keep safe, recovery position)
 - iii. Who will retrieve medication
 - iv. Who will administer medication
 1. Procedure for proper dosage(s)
 2. Procedure for proper administration of medication
 3. Procedure to dispose of utilized auto-injectors
 - v. Who will call school nurse and parent (when the medication is administered to a student)
 - vi. Who will call 911
 - vii. Who will stay and monitor pupil after medication administered/complete charting
 1. Place pupil in recovery position
 2. Call pupil's private physician
 - viii. Who will accompany the pupil to the ER

Employees who volunteer must be currently certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and be willing and physically able to administer epinephrine to persons identified as experiencing or reasonably believed to be having an anaphylactic reaction. Employees who volunteer will be provided a defense by the county office against "any civil action or proceeding" brought against them, in their official capacity or individual capacity or both, "on account of an act or omission in the scope of" their employment as an employee of the office of the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, in accordance with that provided in Government Code §§995 and 996. Employees who volunteer may rescind their consent at any time.

For more information about this volunteer opportunity, please contact the school nurse at your school site or Alma McKenry, Director, Health Services at (559) 265-3025.