

BERSTED GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



MEDICINES IN SCHOOL POLICY

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Statement of Intent

Section 100 of the Children and Families Act 2014 places a duty on 'governing bodies of maintained schools, proprietors of academies and management committees of PRUs to make arrangements for supporting pupils at their school with medical conditions'. The governing body of Bersted Green Primary School will ensure that these arrangements fulfil their statutory duties and follow guidance outline in 'Supporting pupils at school with medical conditions' December 2015'.

Medicines will be administered to enable the inclusion of pupils with medical needs, promote regular attendance and minimise the impact on a pupil's ability to learn. In an emergency all teachers and other staff in charge of children have a common law duty of care to act for the health and safety of a child in their care – this might mean giving medicines or medical care.

Signed:

Chair of Governors: _____

Date: _____

Organisation

The governing body will develop policies and procedures to ensure the medical needs of pupils at Bersted Green Primary are managed appropriately. They will be supported with the implementation of these arrangements by the Head teacher and school staff.

The Lead for Managing Medicines at Bersted Green Primary is Mrs S Jarmyn or in their absence any other trained Teaching Assistant. In their duties staff will be guided by their training, this policy and related procedures.

Implementation monitoring and review

All staff, governors, parents/carers and members of the Bersted Green Primary School community will be made aware of and have access to this policy. This policy will be reviewed annually and its implementation reviewed and as part of the Head teacher's annual report to Governors.

Insurance

Staff who follow the procedures outlined in this policy and who undertake tasks detailed as 'cover available' in the RMP Medical Malpractice Treatment Table will be insured under the WSCC Public Liability insurance policy. The Treatment Table is available to view on West Sussex Services for Schools under Other Documents in the Insurance, Resources section.

In addition to this policy the Council also maintains a Medical Malpractice policy to incorporate insurance cover for the more invasive and complicated procedures that staff are now expected to undertake and that are not covered under a standard Public Liability policy.

There is a brief section on Medical Malpractice in the Insurance Guide 23/24, (on WSSfE, Insurance, Resources, Core Policy Information) which outlines the policy, but any further specific questions will need to be directed to Sharon Andrews for clarification.

Admissions

When the school is notified of the admission of any pupil the assessment of the pupil's medical needs will be completed this might include the development of an Individual Health Care Plans (IHP) or Education Health Care Plans (EHC) and require additional staff training. The school will endeavour to put arrangements in place to support that pupil as quickly as possible. However, the school may decide (based on risk assessment) to delay the admission of a pupil until sufficient arrangements can be put in place.

Pupils with medical needs

The school will follow Government guidance and develop an IHP or EHC for pupils who:

- Have long term, complex or fluctuating conditions – these will be detailed using Template 1 (Appendix 1)
- Require medication in emergency situations – these will be detailed using Template 2 for mild asthmatics and Templates 3, 4, 5 and 6 for anaphylaxis (Appendix 1).

Parents/guardians should provide the Head teacher with sufficient information about their child's medical condition and treatment or special care needed at school. Arrangements can then be made, between the parents/guardians, Head teacher, school nurse and other relevant health professionals to ensure that the pupil's medical needs are managed well during their time in school. Healthcare plans will be reviewed by the school annually or earlier if there is a change in a pupil's medical condition.

All prescribed and non-prescribed medication

On no account should a child come to school with medicine if he/she is unwell. Parents may call into the school and administer medicine to their child, or they may request that a member of school staff administers the medicine if it needs to be administered four times a day. If a pupil refuses their medication, they should not be forced, the school will contact the parent/guardian and if necessary the emergency services. Pupils should not bring any medication to school for self-administration.

All medication must be supplied by the parent/guardian in the original pharmacist's container clearly labelled and include details of possible side effects e.g. manufacturer's instructions and/or patient information leaflet (PIL). Medicines must be delivered to the school office with the appropriate consent form Template C. The school will inform the parent/guardian of the time and dose of any medication administered at the end of each day when they collect from the school office.

Confidentiality

As required by the General Data Protection Act 2018, school staff should treat medical information confidentially. Staff will consult with the parent, or the pupil if appropriate, as to who else should have access to records and other information about the pupil's medical needs and this should be recorded on the IHP or EHC. It is expected that staff with contact to a pupil with medical needs will as a minimum be informed of the pupil's condition and know how to respond in a medical emergency.

Consent to administer medication

Parental/guardian consent to administer medication will be required as follows:

- **Prescribed medication** - each request to administer medication must be accompanied by 'Parental consent to administer medication form (Appendix 2 Template C) or if applicable on the IHP)
- School will not administer non-prescribed medication.

Prescription Medicines

Medicine should only be brought to school when it is essential to administer it during the school day. In the vast majority of cases, doses of medicine can be arranged around the school day thus avoiding the need for medicine in school. Antibiotics for example are usually taken three times a day, so can be given with breakfast, on getting home from school and then at bedtime. Administration will be recorded using Template E and the parent/guardian informed. Parents/guardians are expected to remove any remaining medicine from school once the prescribed course has been completed.

Asthma

The school recognises that pupils with asthma need access to relief medication at all times. The school will manage asthma in school as outlined in the Asthma Toolkit. Pupils with asthma will be required to have an emergency inhaler and a spacer (if prescribed) in school. The school will ask the pupils parent or guardian to provide a second inhaler. Parents are responsible for this medication being in date and the school will communicate with the parents if new medication is required and a record of these communications will be kept. The school inhaler will only be used in an emergency and will always be used with a spacer as outlined in the Asthma Toolkit. The school will develop IHP's for those pupils with severe asthma and complete the Individual Protocol for pupils with mild asthma. Asthma training is included in first aid training.

Anaphylaxis

Every effort will be made by the school to identify and reduce the potential hazards/ triggers that can cause an allergic reaction to pupils diagnosed with anaphylaxis within the school population. The school complies with the School Nursing Service recommend that staff are trained in the administration of auto injectors and that training is renewed annually.

In accordance with the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) advice the school will ask parent/ guardian(s) to provide 2 auto-injectors for school use. Parents are responsible for this medication being in date and the school will communicate with the parents if new medication is required and a record of these communications will be kept.

Mild Allergic Reaction

Non-prescription antihistamine will not be administered for symptoms of mild allergic reaction (i.e. itchy eyes or skin, rash or/and redness of the skin or eyes

Hay fever

Parent(s)/guardian(s) will be expected to administer a dose of antihistamine to their child before school for the treatment of hay fever. The school will only administer antihistamine for symptoms of allergic reaction if prescribed and not as a precautionary measure.

Severe Allergic Reaction

Where a GP/Consultant has prescribed antihistamine as an initial treatment for symptoms of allergic reaction this will be detailed on the pupils IHP. The school will administer 1 standard dose of antihistamine (appropriate to age and weight of the pupil) and it is very important that symptoms are monitored for signs of further allergic reaction. During this time pupils must NEVER be left alone and should be observed at all times.

If symptoms develop or there are any signs of anaphylaxis or if there is any doubt regarding symptoms then if the pupil has been prescribed an adrenaline auto injector it will be administered without delay an ambulance called and the parents informed.

Medical Emergencies

In a medical emergency, first aid is given, an ambulance is called and parents/carers are notified. Should an emergency situation occur to a pupil who has an IHP or EHC, the emergency procedures detailed in the plan are followed, and a copy of the IHP or EHC is given to the ambulance crew. If applicable the pupil's emergency medication will be administered by trained school staff, if the pupils medication isn't available staff will administer the schools emergency medication with prior parental consent.

In accordance with amendments made to the Human Medicines Regulations 2012 from October 2014 a sufficient number of salbutamol inhaler(s) spacer(s) will be held by the school to cover emergency use. Parents are expected to provide 2 in date auto-injectors for administration to their child, if the school does not hold 2 in date auto-injectors for each pupil then a suitable number of auto-injectors will be purchased for use by the school in an emergency.

Parental consent to administer the 'school inhaler and/or auto-injector' will be gained when the pupil joins the school using Template 2 for asthmatics and Templates 3, 4, 5 and 6 for anaphylaxis (Appendix 1). The school will hold a register of the pupils diagnosed with asthma and/or anaphylaxis, and if parental consent has been given to administer the school medication. The school will be responsible for ensuring the school medication remains in date.

Controlled Drugs

The school does not deem a pupil prescribed a controlled drug (as defined by the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971) as competent to carry the medication themselves whilst in school. Controlled drugs will be stored securely in a non-portable locked medicines cabinet in a locked room and only named staff will have access. Controlled drugs for emergency use e.g. midazolam will not be locked away and will be easily accessible. The administration of a controlled drug will be witnessed by a second member of staff and records kept. In addition to the records required for the administration of any medication, a record will be kept of any doses used and the amount of controlled drug stock held in school. (Appendix 2 Templates D and E)

Pupils taking their own medication

For certain long-term medical conditions, it is important for children to learn how to self-administer their medication. Appropriate arrangements for medication should be agreed and documented in the pupil's IHP or EHC and parents should complete the self-administration section of 'Parental consent to administer medication' form (Template C Appendix 1).

Storage and Access to Medicines

All medicines apart from emergency medicines (inhalers, adrenaline auto injector, midazolam etc.) will be kept securely (where access by pupils is restricted). Medicines are always stored in the original pharmacist's container. Pupils are told where their medication is stored and who holds the key and staff will be fully briefed on the procedures for obtaining their medication.

Emergency medicines such as inhalers, adrenaline auto injectors and midazolam must not be locked away. If appropriate certain emergency medication can be held by the pupil, or kept in a clearly identified container in his/her classroom. The school will make an assessment as to the competency of each individual pupil to carry their own medication. Parents will be asked to supply a second adrenaline auto injector and/or asthma inhaler for each child and they will be kept in the Medical room. Staff must ensure that emergency medication is readily available at all times i.e. during outside P.E. lessons, educational visits and in the event of an unforeseen emergency like a fire.

Medicines that require refrigeration are kept in the fridge in the medical room to which pupil access is restricted, and will be clearly labelled in an airtight container. There are specific arrangements in place for the storage of controlled drugs see page 7.

Waste medication

Where possible staff should take care to prepare medication correctly. If too much medication is drawn into a syringe the remainder (amount above the required dose) should be returned to the bottle before administration. If only a half tablet is administered the remainder should be returned to the bottle or packaging for future administration.

If a course of medication has been completed or medication is date expired it will be returned to the parent/guardian for disposal.

Spillages

A spill must be dealt with as quickly as possible and staff are obliged to take responsibility/follow the guidelines. Spillages will be cleared up following the schools procedures and considering the control of infection. Any spilled medication will be deemed unsuitable for administration and if necessary parents will be asked to provide additional medication.

The school has additional procedures in place for the management of bodily fluids which are detailed in the bodily fluids risk assessment.

If the school holds any cytotoxic drugs, there management will be separately risk assessed and follow Health and Safety Executive (HSE) guidance.

Record Keeping – administration of medicines

For legal reasons records of all medicines administered are kept at the school until the pupil reaches the age of 24. This includes medicines administered by staff during all educational or residential visits. The pupil's parent/ guardian will also be informed if their child has been unwell during the school day and medication has been administered. For record sheets see Appendix 2 Template E.

Recording Errors and Incidents

If for whatever reason there is a mistake made in the administration of medication and the pupil is:

- Given the wrong medication

- Given the wrong dose
- Given medication at the wrong time (insufficient intervals between doses)
- Given medication that is out of date
- Or the wrong pupil is given medication

Incidents must be reported to the Schools Senior Management Team who will immediately inform the pupil's parent/guardian. Details of the incident will be recorded locally as part of the schools local arrangements. Local records must include details of what happened, the date, who is responsible and any effect the mistake has caused. Senior Management will investigate the incident and change procedures to prevent reoccurrence if necessary. NB: Incidents that arise from medical conditions that are being well managed by the school do not need to be reported or recorded locally.

Staff Training

The school will ensure a sufficient number of staff complete Manging Medicines in Schools training before they can administer medication to pupils.

Supply and locum staff will be given appropriate instruction and guidance in order to support the pupils with medical needs in their care. All school staff are trained annually to administer an auto-injector and asthma inhaler in an emergency.

A record of all training must be maintained to show the date of training for each member of staff and when repeat or refresher training is required.

The school will ensure that the staff who administer medicine for specific chronic conditions are trained to administer those specific medicines, for example, Diabetes (insulin) Epilepsy (midazolam). Training in the administration of these specific medicines is arranged via the school nurse.

Educational Visits (Off - site one day)

Staff will administer prescription medicines to pupils when required during educational visits. Parents should ensure they complete a consent form (Appendix 2 Template C) and supply a sufficient amount of medication in its pharmacist's container. Non-prescription medicines as detailed in this policy can be administered by staff, pupils must not carry non-prescription medication for self-administration.

All staff will be briefed about any emergency procedures needed with reference to pupils where needs are known and copies of care plans will be taken by the responsible person.

Residential Visits (overnight stays)

The school acknowledges the common law 'duty of care' to act like any prudent parent. This extends to the administration of medicines and taking action in an emergency, according to the care plan.

Occasionally it may be necessary to administer non-prescription medicines as described in this policy i.e. antihistamine to pupils suffering from an allergic reaction or paracetamol for acute pain from things like headache, period pain, toothache etc. Parents must give written consent prior to the residential visit and sign to confirm that they have administered the medication without adverse effect. Pupils would need to hand to lead adult.

Risk assessing medicines management on all off site visits

Pupils with medical needs shall be included in visits as far as this is reasonably practicable. School staff will discuss any issues with parents and/or health professionals so that extra measures (if appropriate) can be put in place. A copy of the pupils IHP or EHP will be taken on the visit and detail arrangements relating to the management of their medication(s) during the visit should be included in the plan.

If a pupil requires prescribed or non-prescribed medication during visit and an IHP or EHP has not been developed and the management of their medication differs from procedures followed whilst in school, the school will conduct a risk assessment and record their findings.

Travelling abroad – a risk assessment will be developed considering parental and medical advice and documented on the pupils IHP or EHP. If an IHP or EHP has not been developed, the school will record their findings. Best practice would be to translate these documents to the language of the country being visited. The international emergency number should be on the care plan (112 is the EU number). European Health Insurance Cards (EHIC) should be applied for by parents and supplied to the school prior to travel for all pupils that travel abroad.

The results of risk assessments however they are recorded i.e. IHP, EHP etc. will be communicated to the relevant staff and records kept of this communication.

Complaints

Issuing arising from the medical treatment of a pupil whilst in school should in the first instance be directed to the Head teacher. If the issue cannot easily be resolved the Head teacher will inform the governing body who will seek resolution.

Appendix 1 – WSCC Care Plan Templates September 2017

Appendix 2 – WSCC Administering Medicines Templates September 2017

Appendix 1



West Sussex County Council **Care Plan** **Templates**

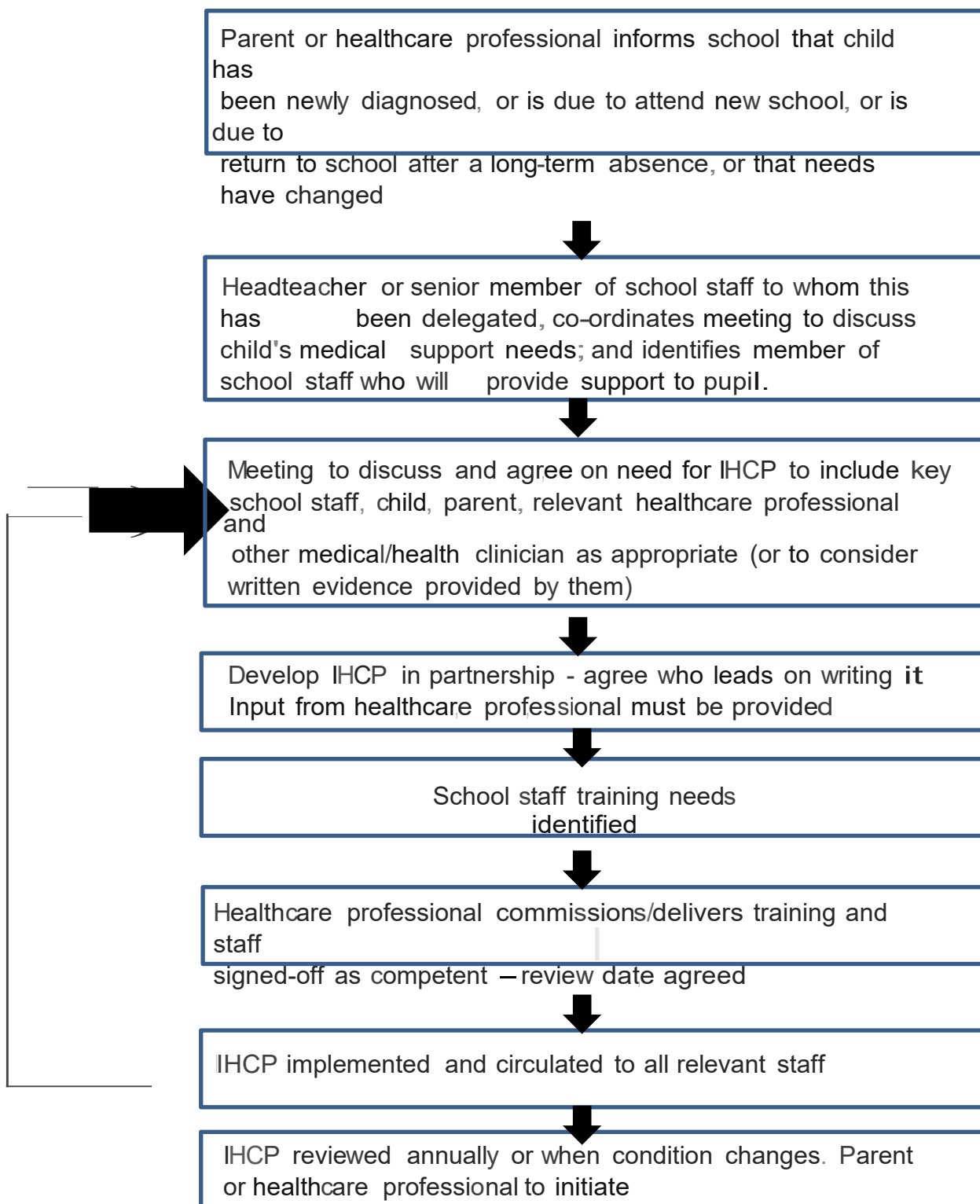
Supporting pupils with medical conditions

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Model process for developing individual healthcare plans





Template 1: individual healthcare plan (IHCP)

Name of school/setting

Child's name

Group/class/form

Date of birth

Child's address

Medical diagnosis or condition

Date

Review date

Family Contact Information

Name

Relationship to child

Phone no. (work)

(home)

(mobile)

Name

Relationship to child

Phone no. (work)

(home)

(mobile)

Clinic/Hospital Contact

Name

Phone no.

G.P.

Name

Phone no.

Who is responsible for providing support in school

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Describe medical needs and give details of child's symptoms, triggers, signs, treatments, facilities, equipment or devices, environmental issues etc.

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Name of medication, dose, method of administration, when to be taken, side effects, contra-indications, administered by/self-administered with/without supervision

Daily care requirements

Specific support for the pupil's educational, social and emotional needs

Arrangements for school visits/trips etc

Other information

Describe what constitutes an emergency, and the action to take if this occurs

Who is responsible in an emergency (*state if different for off-site activities*)

Plan developed with

Staff training needed/undertaken – who, what, when

The above information is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate at the time of writing and I give consent to school/setting staff administering medicine in accordance with the school/setting policy. I will inform the school/setting immediately, in writing, if there is any change in dosage or frequency of the medication or if the medicine is stopped. I agree that my child's medical information can be shared with school staff responsible for their care.

Signed by parent or guardian

Print name

Date

Review date

Copies to:

Template 2: Individual protocol for Mild Asthma



Please complete the questions below, sign this form and return without delay.

CHILD'S NAME.....

D.O.B.

Class

Contact Information

Name					Relationship to pupil		
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other

If I am unavailable please contact:

Name					Relationship to pupil		
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other

1. Does your child need an inhaler in school? Yes/No (delete as appropriate)

2. Please provide information on your child's current treatment. (Include the name, type of inhaler, the dose and how many puffs?)

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Do they have a spacer?

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3. What triggers your child's asthma?

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4. What signs can indicate that your child is having an asthma attack?

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5. Does your child tell you when they need their medicine?

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6. Does your child need help taking their asthma medicine?

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7. It is advised that pupils have a spare inhaler in school. Spare inhalers may be required in the event that the first inhaler runs out is lost or forgotten. Inhalers must be clearly labelled with your child's name and must be replaced before they reach their expiry date. The school will also keep a salbutamol inhaler for emergency use.

Please delete as appropriate:

- My child **REQUIRES/DOES NOT REQUIRE** a spacer and I have provided this to the school office
- I am aware I am responsible for supplying the school with 2 in date inhaler(s)/spacer for school use and will supply this/these as soon as possible. 1 for class and 1 for medical room. YES/NO

8. Does your child need a blue inhaler before doing exercise/PE? If so, how many puffs?

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9. Do you give consent for the following treatment to be given to your child as recognised by Asthma Specialists in an emergency? - Yes/No (delete as appropriate)

- Give **6 puffs of the blue inhaler via a spacer**
- Reassess after 5 minutes
- If the child still feels wheezy or appears to be breathless they should have a further **4 puffs of the blue inhaler via a spacer**
- Reassess after 5 minutes
- **If their symptoms are not relieved with 10 puffs of blue inhaler then this should be viewed as a serious attack:**
- **CALL AN AMBULANCE and CALL PARENT**
- **While waiting for an ambulance continue to give 10 puffs of the reliever inhaler every few minutes**

Please sign below to confirm you agree the following:

- I agree to ensure that my child has in-date inhalers and a spacer (if prescribed) in school.
- I give consent for the school to administer my child's inhaler in accordance with the emergency treatment detailed above.
- **I agree that the school can administer the school emergency salbutamol inhaler if required.**
- I agree that my child's medical information can be shared with school staff responsible for their care.

Signed:.....Print name..... Date.....
I am the person with parental responsibility

Please remember to inform the school if there are any changes in your child's treatment or condition. Thank you

Parental Update (only to be completed if your child no longer has asthma)	
My child no longer has asthma and therefore no longer requires an inhaler in school or on school visits.	
Signed	Date
<i>I am the person with parental responsibility</i>	

For office use:

	Provided by parent/school	Location (delete as appropriate)	Expiry date	Date of phone call requesting new inhaler	Date of letter (attach copy)
1 st inhaler		With pupil in classroom			
2 nd inhaler Advised		In first aid room			
Spacer (if required)					
Record any further follow up with the parent/carer:					

Template 3 : Individual protocol for Antihistamine as an initial treatment protocol for mild allergic reaction



CHILD'S NAME.....

D.O.B.

Class

Nature of Allergy:

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Contact Information

Name					Relationship to pupil			
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other	

If I am unavailable please contact:

Name					Relationship to pupil			
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other	

GP

Name:
 Phone No:
 Address:

Clinic/ Hospital Contact

Name:
 Phone No:
 Address:

MEDICATION - Antihistamine

Name of antihistamine & expiry date

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- It is the parents responsibility to ensure the Antihistamine has not expired

Dosage & Method: **As prescribed on the container.**

- It is the schools responsibility to ensure this care plan is reviewed and parents inform the school of any changes in condition or treatment.

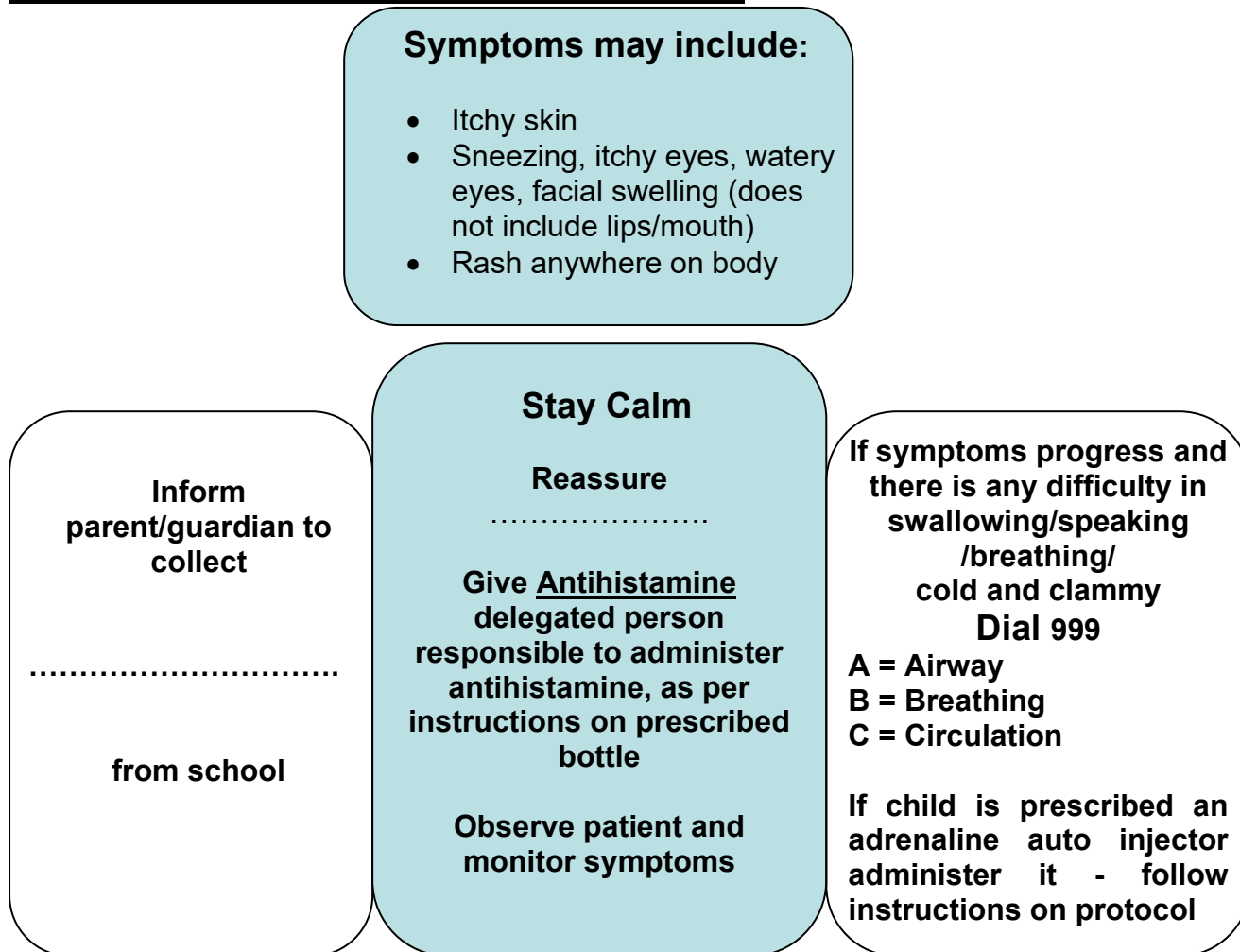
Agreed by: School Representative.....Date.....

I agree that the medical information contained in this plan may be shared with individuals involved with my child's care and education, and **I give my consent to the school to administer the schools supply of anti-histamine as part of my child's**

treatment for anaphylaxis. I confirm I have administered this medication in the past without adverse effect.

Signed:.....Print
name.....Date.....
I am the person with parental responsibility

Individual protocol for using Antihistamine (e.g. Piriton)



If symptoms progress Dial 999 - Telephone for an ambulance

You need to say: "I have a child in anaphylactic shock".

Give school details:

Give details: Pupils name has a severe allergy and what has happened.

DO NOT PUT THE PHONE DOWN UNTIL YOU ARE SURE ALL THE NECESSARY INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN

Someone to wait by the school gate to direct the ambulance staff straight to the child.

Template 4 : Individual protocol for an Emerade adrenaline auto injector

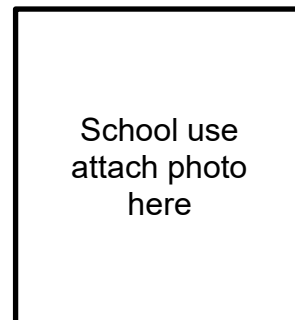
CHILD'S NAME.....

D.O.B.

Class

Nature of Allergy:

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Contact Information

Name					Relationship to pupil			
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other	

If I am unavailable please contact:

Name					Relationship to pupil			
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other	

GP

Name:

Phone No:

Clinic/ Hospital Contact

Name:

Phone No:

Address:

Address:

MEDICATION Emerade

Name on Emerade & expiry date:

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- It is the parents responsibility to supply 2 EMERADE auto injectors and to ensure they have not expired

Dosage & Method: **1 DOSE INTO UPPER OUTER THIGH**

- The school staff will take all reasonable steps to ensure does not eat any food items unless they have been prepared / approved by parents
- It is the schools responsibility to ensure this care plan is reviewed and parents inform the school of any changes in condition or treatment.

Agreed by: School

Representative.....Date.....

- I agree that the medical information contained in this plan may be shared with individuals involved with my child's care and education.
- I give my consent for the school to administer my child's Emerade **or the school held adrenaline auto-injector** (if my child's pen is lost/forgotten or malfunctions) to be administered in an emergency as detailed in this plan

Signed:.....Print name.....

Date.....

I am the person with parental responsibility

Individual protocol for.....using an EMERADE (Adrenaline auto injector)

Symptoms may include:

- Difficulty in swallowing / speaking / breathing
- Wheezy / irregular breathing / excessive coughing
- Hoarseness
- Nettle rash (hives) anywhere on body
- Sense of impending doom
- Swelling of throat and mouth
- Abdominal pain, nausea & vomiting
- Feeling of weakness (BP drops)
- Collapse & unconsciousness
- Cold and clammy

Stay Calm

Reassure.....

One member of staff to Dial 999

REMEMBER

A = Airway
B = Breathing
C = Circulation

**Give EMERADE first then dial 999
Administer Emerade in the upper outer thigh**

Remove cap protecting the needle
Hold Emerade against upper outer thigh and press it against patients leg. You will hear a click when the adrenaline is injected.

Hold Emerade in place for 10 seconds.

Can be given through clothing, but not very thick clothing.
Note time injection given.

If no improvement give 2nd EMERADE 5 minutes later

Call Parents

Reassure

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Telephoning for an ambulance

You need to say: "I have a child in anaphylactic shock".

Give school details:

Give details: Childs name has a severe allergy and what has happened.

DO NOT PUT THE PHONE DOWN UNTIL YOU ARE SURE ALL THE NECESSARY INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN

Someone to wait by the school gate to direct the ambulance staff straight to the child.

Template 5 : Individual protocol for an EpiPen adrenaline auto injector

CHILD'S NAME.....

D.O.B.

Class

Nature of Allergy:

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Contact Information

Name					Relationship to pupil		
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other

If I am unavailable please contact:

Name					Relationship to pupil		
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other

GP

Name:
 Phone No:
 Address:

Clinic/ Hospital Contact

Name
 Phone No:
 Address:

MEDICATION EPIPEN

Name on EPIPEN & Expiry date:

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- It is the parents responsibility to supply 2 EPIPEN auto injectors and to ensure they have not expired

Dosage & Method: **1 DOSE INTO UPPER OUTER THIGH**

- The school staff will take all reasonable steps to ensure does not eat any food items unless they have been prepared / approved by parents
- It is the schools responsibility to ensure this care plan is reviewed and parents inform the school of any changes in condition or treatment.

Agreed by: School

Representative.....Date.....

- I agree that the medical information contained in this plan may be shared with individuals involved with my child's care and education.

- I give my consent for the school to administer my child's Epipen **or the school held adrenaline auto-injector** (if my child's pen is lost/forgotten or malfunctions) to be administered in an emergency as detailed in this plan

Signed:.....Print name.....

Date.....

I am the person with parental responsibility

Individual protocol for using an **Epipen** (Adrenaline Auto injector)

Symptoms may include:

- Difficulty in swallowing / speaking / breathing
- Wheezy / irregular breathing / excessive coughing
- Hoarseness
- Nettle rash (hives) anywhere on body
- Sense of impending doom
- Swelling of throat and mouth
- Abdominal pain, nausea & vomiting
- Feeling of weakness (BP drops)
- Collapse & unconsciousness
- Cold and clammy

Stay Calm

Reassure

**One member of staff
to Dial 999**

REMEMBER

**A = AIRWAY
B = BREATHING
C = CIRCULATION**

**Give EPIPEN first
then dial 999**

**Administer Epipen in the
upper outer thigh**

Remove grey safety cap
Hold epipen with black tip
downwards against thigh
jab firmly.

**Hold epipen in place
for 10 seconds**

Can be given through clothing,
but not very thick clothing.
Note time of injection given

**If no improvement give
2nd EPIPEN 5 minutes
later**

Call Parents

Reassure
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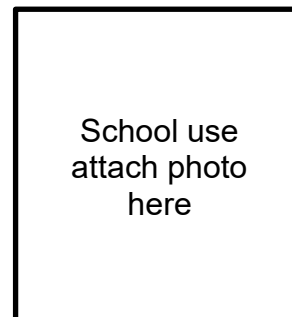
Telephoning for an ambulance
You need to say: "I have a child in anaphylactic shock".
Give school details:
Give details: Child's name has a severe allergy and what has happened.
**DO NOT PUT THE PHONE DOWN UNTIL YOU ARE SURE ALL THE
NECESSARY INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN**
 Someone to wait by the school gate to direct the ambulance staff straight to the child.

Template 6 : Individual protocol for an Jext pen adrenaline auto injector

CHILD'S NAME.....

D.O.B.

Class



Nature of Allergy:

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Contact Information

Name					Relationship to pupil		
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other

If I am unavailable please contact:

Name					Relationship to pupil		
Phone numbers	Work		Home		Mobile		Other

GP

Name:
Phone No:
Address:

Clinic/ Hospital Contact

Name:
Phone No:
Address:

MEDICATION JEXT

Name on JEXT & expiry date:

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- It is the parents responsibility to supply 2 JEXT pen auto injectors and to ensure they have not expired

Dosage & Method: **1 DOSE INTO UPPER OUTER THIGH**

- The school staff will take all reasonable steps to ensure does not eat any food items unless they have been prepared / approved by parents
- It is the schools responsibility to ensure this care plan is reviewed and parents inform the school of any changes in condition or treatment.

Agreed by: School

Representative.....Date.....

- I agree that the medical information contained in this plan may be shared with individuals involved with my child's care and education.

- I give my consent for the school to administer my child's Jext pen **or the school held adrenaline auto-injector** (if my child's pen is lost/forgotten or malfunctions) to be administered in an emergency as detailed in this plan.

Signed:.....Print name.....

Date.....

I am the person with parental responsibility

Individual protocol for using a JEXT Pen (Adrenaline Autoinjector)

Symptoms may include:

- Difficulty in swallowing / speaking / breathing
- Wheezy / irregular breathing / excessive coughing
- Hoarseness
- Nettle rash (hives) anywhere on body
- Sense of impending doom
- Swelling of throat and mouth
- Abdominal pain, nausea & vomiting
- Feeling of weakness (BP drops)
- Collapse & unconsciousness
- Cold and clammy

**Give JEXT pen first
Then call 999
Administer in the upper
thigh**

Remove yellow cap, place black tip against upper outer thigh, push injector firmly into thigh until it clicks.

Hold in JEXT Pen in place for 10 seconds.

Can be given through clothing, but not very thick clothing

Note time of injection given

**If no improvement give
2nd JEXT Pen
5 minutes later**

Stay Calm

Reassure

**One member of staff
to Dial 999**

REMEMBER

**A = AIRWAY
B = BREATHING
C = CIRCULATION**

Call Parents

Reassure

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Telephoning for an ambulance

You need to say: "I have a child in anaphylactic shock".

Give school details:

Give details: Child's name has a severe allergy and what has happened.

**DO NOT PUT THE PHONE DOWN UNTIL YOU ARE SURE ALL THE
NECESSARY INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN**

Someone to wait by the school gate to direct the ambulance staff straight to the child.

Template 7: model letter inviting parents to contribute to individual healthcare plan development

Dear Parent/Guardian

DEVELOPING AN INDIVIDUAL HEALTHCARE PLAN FOR YOUR CHILD

Thank you for informing us of your child's medical condition. I enclose a copy of the school's policy for supporting pupils at school with medical conditions for your information.

A central requirement of the policy is for an individual healthcare plan to be prepared, setting out what support the each pupil needs and how this will be provided. Individual healthcare plans are developed in partnership between the school, parents, pupils, and the relevant healthcare professional who can advise on your child's case. The aim is to ensure that we know how to support your child effectively and to provide clarity about what needs to be done, when and by whom. Although individual healthcare plans are likely to be helpful in the majority of cases, it is possible that not all children will require one. We will need to make judgements about how your child's medical condition impacts on their ability to participate fully in school life, and the level of detail within plans will depend on the complexity of their condition and the degree of support needed.

A meeting to start the process of developing your child's individual health care plan has been scheduled for **xx/xx/xx**. I hope that this is convenient for you and would be grateful if you could confirm whether you are able to attend. The meeting will involve [the following people]. Please let us know if you would like us to invite another medical practitioner, healthcare professional or specialist and provide any other evidence you would like us to consider at the meeting as soon as possible.

If you are unable to attend, it would be helpful if you could complete the attached individual healthcare plan template and return it, together with any relevant evidence, for consideration at the meeting. I [or another member of staff involved in plan development or pupil support] would be happy for you contact me [them] by email or to speak by phone if this would be helpful.

Yours sincerely

**Template 8: Example letter to send to parent/guardian who has not provided an in-date inhaler or auto injector.
Please amend as necessary for the individual circumstances.**

Dear (Name of parent)

Following today's phone call regarding (name of pupil)'s asthma inhaler/adrenaline auto injector, I am very concerned that in date medication has not been provided. You have confirmed on the Individual Protocol that (name of pupil) requires an inhaler in school and you have agreed to provide the medication. Please ensure that the following are provided without delay:

- an inhaler/ adrenaline auto injector
- a spacer

If (name of pupil) no longer requires an inhaler/auto injector, please inform the school in writing as soon as possible.

Please be aware that in the absence of in date medication, should (name of pupil) suffer an attack, and you have given your consent staff will administer the schools reliever inhaler/adrenaline auto injector. However if you have not given consent for the school reliever inhaler/adrenaline auto injector to be administered staff will not be able to follow suitable emergency procedures. They will be reliant on calling 999 and awaiting the Emergency Services.

Yours sincerely



Appendix 2 WSCC

Administering Medicines Templates

**Supporting pupils with medical
conditions**

December 2021

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Insert Name of School

Template A: Pupil Health Information Form

This information will be kept securely with your child's other records. If further information is needed we will contact you. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if there are any issues you wish to discuss.

Childs Name	D.O.B
Gender	Year/Tutor Group

Please complete if applicable

Has your child been diagnosed with or are you concerned about any of the following:

Condition	Yes	No	Medication
Asthma NB:Parents of pupils with mild asthma must also sign an asthma protocol form (template 2 in Appendix 1) available from the school			
Allergies/Anaphylaxis NB:Parents of pupils prescribed an auto injector must also sign The relevant auto injector protocol form (template 3, 4, 5 in Appendix 1 or available from the school)			
Epilepsy			
Diabetes			

Is your child taking regular medication for any condition other than those listed on the previous page – continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

Condition	Medication, emergency requirements

Please use the space below to tell us about any other concerns you have regarding your child's health, continue on a separate sheet if necessary:

_____ Print name

Thank you

Insert Name of School

Template C: parental consent to administer medication (where an Individual Healthcare Plan or Education Healthcare Plan is not required)

The school/setting will not give your child medicine unless you complete and sign this form, and the school or setting has a policy that the staff can administer medicine.

Date for review to be initiated by	
Name of child	
Date of birth	
Group/class/form	
Medical condition or illness	

Medicine

Name/type of medicine <i>(as described on the container)</i>	
Expiry date	
Dosage and method	
Timing	
Special precautions/other instructions	
Are there any side effects that the school/setting needs to know about?	
Self-administration – y/n	
Procedures to take in an emergency	

NB: Medicines must be in the original container as dispensed by the pharmacy and the manufacturer's instructions and/or Patient Information Leaflet (PIL) must be included

Contact Details

Name	
Daytime telephone no.	
Relationship to child	
Address	
I understand that I must deliver the medicine personally to	[agreed member of staff or school location]

The above information is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate at the time of writing and I give consent to school/setting staff administering medicine in accordance with the school/setting policy. I confirm that this medication has been administered to my child in the past without adverse effect. I will inform the school/setting immediately, in writing, if there is any change in dosage or frequency of the medication or if the medicine is stopped.

Signature(s)

Date

If this is a request to administer non-prescribed medication, please work with the school to complete Template C1 on the reverse of this form

Template D: record of medicine administered to an individual child

Name of school/setting
 Name of child
 Date medicine provided by parent
 Group/class/form
 Quantity received
 Name and strength of medicine
 Expiry date
 Quantity returned
 Dose and frequency of medicine

Staff signature _____

Signature of parent _____

Date
 Time given
 Dose given
 Controlled drug stock
 Name of member of staff
 Staff initials
 Witnessed by

Date
 Time given
 Dose given
 Controlled drug stock
 Name of member of staff
 Staff initials
 Witnessed by

D: Record of medicine administered to an individual child (Continued)

Date

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Time given

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Dose given

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Controlled drug stock

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Name of member of staff

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Staff initials

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Witnessed by

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Date

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Time given

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Dose given

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Controlled drug stock

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Name of member of staff

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Staff initials

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Witnessed by

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Date

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Time given

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Dose given

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Controlled drug stock

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Name of member of staff

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Staff initials

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Witnessed by

--	--	--

Date

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Time given

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Dose given

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Controlled drug stock

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Name of member of staff

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Staff initials

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Witnessed by

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Template F: staff training record – administration of medicines

Training can also be recorded on a matrix, in SIMS or similar database or using this form.

Name of school/setting

Name

Type of training received

Date of training completed

Training provided by – print name and signature

Refresher/update training date

Profession and title

I confirm I have received and understood the above training

signature

Additional training:

Type of training received

Date of training completed

Training provided by – print name and signature

Refresher/update training date

Profession and title

I confirm I have received and understood the above training

signature

Type of training received

Date of training completed

Training provided by – print name and signature

Refresher/update training date

Profession and title

I confirm I have received and understood the above training

signature

Template G: contacting emergency services

Request an ambulance - dial 999, ask for an ambulance and be ready with the information below. Speak clearly and slowly and be ready to repeat information if asked.

1. telephone number

School telephone

2. your location as follows [insert school/setting address]

School address

3. state what the postcode is – please note that postcodes for satellite navigation systems may differ from the postal code

Postcode

4. inform Ambulance Control of the best entrance to use and state that the crew will be met and taken to the patient

Best entrance is:

5. your name
6. provide the exact location of the patient within the school setting
7. provide the name of the child and a brief description of their symptoms
8. put a completed copy of this form by the phone

Insert Name of School

Template H – Consent to administer non-prescribed medication on a Residential Visit

The school will not administer medication unless this form is completed and signed. This information will be kept securely with your child's other records. Whilst away if your child feels unwell the school staff may wish to administer the appropriate non-prescription. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if there are any issues you wish to discuss.

Pupils Name	D.O.B
Gender	Year/Tutor Group

If your child develops the relevant symptoms during the residential visit, with your consent they will be given a standard dose suitable to their age and weight of the appropriate non-prescribed medication. If symptoms persist medical advice will be sought and if necessary the emergency services called. You will be informed when the school has administered medication on our return by **(insert method of communication)**.

The school will hold a small stock of the following medicines:

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paracetamol brand | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ibuprofen (pupils age 12+) brand..... | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anti-histamine brand | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please tick the non-prescription medications that you give your consent for the school to administer their stock of during the residential visit.

If you would like your child to be given travel sickness medication please supply medication suitable for their age and weight in its original packaging with the patient information leaflet

- Travel sickness

I give my consent for the medications ticked above to be administered by the school from their stock and confirm I have administered them to my child in the past without adverse effect.

Signature(s) Parent/Guardian

Date

Print name