

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

Management Plan and Guidelines for Students with Food Allergies and/or Glycogen Storage Disease (Diabetes)

LEARN recognizes that food allergies and glycogen storage disease may be life threatening. The purpose of this policy is to minimize the risk of accidental exposure to life threatening food allergens and to ensure prompt and effective medical response should a child suffer an allergic reaction while at school. LEARN is also committed to appropriately managing and supporting students with glycogen storage disease. In accordance with applicable law, it is the policy of LEARN to provide all students, through necessary accommodations where required, the maximum opportunity to participate in all school programs and activities.

LEARN further recognizes the importance of collaborating with parents and appropriate medical staff in developing such practices and strongly encourages strategies to enable the student to become increasingly proactive in the care and management of his/her food allergy and/or glycogen storage disease, as developmentally appropriate. To this end, LEARN will adopt guidelines related to the management of life threatening food allergies and glycogen storage disease for students enrolled in LEARN schools.

All schools are also responsible for developing and implementing IHCPs for students with life threatening food-allergies and/or glycogen storage disease in accordance with applicable law and LEARN regulations concerning same. LEARN shall develop general guidelines for food allergy management and/or glycogen storage disease which shall include, but not be limited to, the implementation and training of a student's Individual Health Care Plan ("IHCP").

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
 10-15b Access of parent or guardian to student's records
 10-154a Professional communications between teacher or nurse and student
 10-207 Duties of medical advisors
 10-212a Administrations of medications in schools
 10-212a (d) Administration of medications in schools by paraprofessional
 10-121c Life-threatening food allergies: Guidelines
 10-220i Transportation of students carrying cartridge injectors
 52-557b Good Samaritan Law. Immunity from liability for emergency medical assistance, first aid or medication by injection.
 PA 05-104 An Act Concerning Food Allergies and the Prevention of Life-Threatening Incidents I Schools
 PA 05-144 and 05-272 An Act Concerning the Emergency Use of Cartridge Injectors
 The Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies section 10-212a through 10-212a-7

Federal Legislation

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794 §504; 34 C.F.R § 104 et seq.) Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.; 29 C.F.R. § 1630 et seq.)

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)

The Individual with Disabilities Education Act of 1976 9IDEA) (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.) 34 C.F.R. § 300 et seq.)

FCS Instruction 783-2, Revision 2, Meal substitute for medical or other special dietary reasons.

Guidelines for Managing Life-Threatening Food Allergies in Connecticut Schools, Connecticut State Department of Education (2006).

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