

Anaphylaxis Treatment Annual Notification to Parents

California Education Code 49414 authorizes school districts to provide epinephrine autoinjectors to trained personnel to use to provide emergency medical aid to person suffering from an anaphylactic reaction.

Anaphylaxis is a rapid, severe allergic response triggered by insect stings, foods, medications, latex materials, exercise or in rare cases by unknown causes. This is a life-threatening allergic condition, requiring immediate treatment. Administering epinephrine to students during a medical emergency may help to insure the student's health and safety at school. Therefore, the **Susanville School District** has adopted a policy for standing orders to provide life-saving epinephrine to students who are in need of such treatment.

This policy states that a credentialed, licensed school nurse or trained, unlicensed school staff, under the direct or indirect supervision of the credential school nurse (or supervisor of health), may administer epinephrine in the form of an epinephrine auto-injector during a severe life threatening allergic reaction. The epinephrine auto-injector rapidly delivers a pre-measured, sterile, single dose of epinephrine by direct injection through the skin.