Sec. 10-212a-8. Administration of medications by coaches and licensed athletic trainers during intramural and interscholastic events

During intramural and interscholastic athletic events, a coach or licensed athletic trainer may administer medication for select students for whom self-administration plans are not viable options as determined by the school nurse for (1) inhalant medications prescribed to treat respiratory conditions and (2) medication administered with a cartridge injector for students with a medically diagnosed allergic condition which may require prompt treatment to protect the student against serious harm or death, provided the requirements in subsections (a) to (g), inclusive, of this Section have been met.

(a) The coach or licensed athletic trainer shall be trained in:

(1) the general principles of the administration of medication applicable to receiving, storing and assisting with inhalant medications or cartridge injector medications, and documentation;

(2) student specific needs for assistance according to the individualized medication plan.

(b) The school nurse shall provide a copy of the authorized prescriber's order and the parental permission form to the coaches;

(c) The parent or guardian shall provide to the coach or licensed athletic trainer the medication in accordance with the provisions of subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of Section 10-212a-5 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. The medication provided to the coach or licensed athletic trainer, such as the inhaler or cartridge injector, shall be separate from the medication stored in the school health office for use during the school day;

(d) The coach or licensed athletic trainer shall agree to the administration of emergency medication and shall implement the emergency care plan;

(e) Medications to be used in athletic events shall be stored:

(1) in containers for the exclusive use of holding medications;

(2) in locations that preserve the integrity of the medication;

(3) under the general supervision of the coach or licensed athletic trainer trained in the administration of medication; and

(4) in a locked secure cabinet when not in use at athletic events.

(f) Errors in the administration of medication shall be addressed in the same manner as Section 10-212a-6 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, except that if the school nurse is not available, a report may be submitted by the coach or licensed athletic trainer to the school nurse on the next school day; and

(g) Documentation of any administration of medication by a coach or licensed athletic trainer shall be completed on forms provided by the local school board and the school nurse shall be notified as follows:

(1) a separate medication administration record for each student shall be maintained in the athletic area;

(2) administration of a cartridge injector medication shall be reported to the school nurse at the earliest possible time but not later than the next school day;

(3) all other instances of the administration of medication shall be reported to the school nurse at least monthly or as frequently as required by the individual student plan;

(4) the administration of medication record shall be submitted to the school nurse at the

end of each sport season and filed in the student's cumulative health record according to Section 10-212a-6 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

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