

Sample Policy: Emergency Plan for Anaphylaxis

I. Purpose:

To define allergic hypersensitivity to drugs administered by parenteral route as well as the emergency management that is to be provided by the School Vaccine Provider.

II. Policy:

- A plan for contacting emergency medical services that are available in the area shall be established prior to starting any clinic.
- The plan shall include local emergency telephone numbers.
- Recipients of medication, vaccine, or biologicals administered by parenteral route shall be requested to remain on site for a minimum of 15 minutes for signs of hypersensitivity or anaphylactic reaction. Symptoms of anaphylaxis usually begin within 15 minutes after administration of the drug, and intervention should be implemented immediately. A School Vaccine Provider shall remain on site for 15 minutes after each drug is administered parenterally.
- Individuals with symptoms categorized as mild may only require close monitoring on site with notice to their health care provider. Individuals with symptoms that progress shall require intervention including the administration of epinephrine. Refer to the Protocol: Administration of Epinephrine and Benadryl.

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