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SYNOPSIS

Requires under certain circumstances development by certified school nurse of individualized health care plan and individualized emergency health care plan for student with life-threatening allergies or anaphylaxis.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Education Committee on January 14, 2021, with amendments.

AN ACT concerning public school students with [1]**[**severe**]** life-threatening[1] allergies [1]or anaphylaxis,[1] and supplementing P.L.1997, c.368 (C.18A:40-12.5 et seq.).

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. a. The parent or guardian of a student with a [1]**[**severe**]** life-threatening[1] allergy [1]or anaphylaxis[1] who seeks care for that student while at school shall inform the [1]certified[1] school nurse who shall develop an individualized health care plan and an individualized emergency health care plan for the student, provided that the parent or guardian of the student annually provides to the board of education written authorization for the provision of care as may be outlined in the individualized plans [1]and which shall be consistent with the directions and recommendations of the student's health care provider,[1] including authorization for the emergency administration of epinephrine [1],[1] and, if authorized by the parent or guardian pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1993, c.308 (C.18A:40-12.3), authorization for the student's self-management and care of [1]**[**his**]** the student's life-threatening[1] allergy [1]or anaphylaxis[1].

b. The individualized health care plan and individualized emergency health care plan developed in accordance with subsection a. of this section shall be updated by the [1]certified[1] school nurse [1]**[**prior to the beginning of each school year**]** in accordance with the annually submitted order of a student's health care provider[1] and as necessary in the event that there is a change in the health status of the student.

c. Each individualized health care plan shall include, and each individualized emergency health care plan may include, the following information:

(1) the symptoms of an allergic reaction [1]or anaphylaxis[1] and the recommended treatment;

(2) accommodations for school trips, after-school activities, class parties, and other school-related activities;

(3) education of all school personnel who may come in contact with the student about allergies, how to recognize and treat allergic reactions [1]or anaphylaxis[1], how to recognize allergic reactions [1]or anaphylaxis[1], and when to call for assistance; and

(4) how to maintain communications with the student, the student's parent or guardian and health care team, the [1]certified[1] school nurse, and the educational staff.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
[1]Senate SED committee amendments adopted January 14, 2021.

d. The ¹certified¹ school nurse assigned to a particular school shall coordinate the provision of care at that school for the student with ¹**[**severe**]** life-threatening¹ allergies ¹or anaphylaxis¹ and shall ensure that appropriate staff are trained in the care of students with ¹life-threatening¹ allergies ¹or anaphylaxis¹, including staff working with school-sponsored programs outside of the regular school day, as provided in the individualized health care plan and the individualized emergency health care plan.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.