

Franklin Special Board of Education

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- 1 If under exceptional circumstances a child is required to take non-prescription or prescription
2 medications (including complementary and alternative medications), during school hours and the parent
3 cannot be at school to administer the medication, only the school nurse or a designee who has been
4 trained as an unlicensed assistive personnel (UAP) will assist in self-administration of the medication
5 following the written guidelines pursuant to TCA 49-5-415. This includes an UAP assisting in diabetes
6 tasks, including blood glucose monitoring, and administration of the emergency medication Glucagon
7 in the absence of the school nurse and administration of Epinephrine:¹
- 8 Upon written request of a parent or guardian, and if included in the student’s medical management plan
9 and in the individualized healthcare plan (IHP), a student with diabetes shall be permitted to perform a
10 blood glucose check or administer insulin using any necessary diabetes monitoring and treatment
11 supplies, including sharps, in the school or on school grounds at any time necessary. Use and disposal
12 of sharps shall be in compliance with guidelines set forth by the Tennessee Occupational Safety and
13 Health Administration (TOSHA).²
- 14 Students diagnosed with pancreatic insufficiency or cystic fibrosis shall be permitted to self-manage
15 their prescribed medication without additional assistance or direction as directed by a licensed healthcare
16 provider and in compliance with procedures developed in an individualized healthcare plan (IHP)³
- 17 The school nurse is responsible for providing the appropriate medication form or individualized
18 healthcare form to the parent. The parent or guardian is responsible for delivering the medication in an
19 appropriately labeled container with the completed, signed forms to the school nurse or other
20 designated school staff. The parent or guardian is also responsible for informing the school nurse of
21 any change in the student's health or medications.
- 22 A copy of this policy may be obtained from your school nurse.

Legal References

1. TCA 49-5-415
2. TCA 49-5-415(d)(7), Public Acts 2006,
Chapter No. 54
3. Public Acts of 2015, Chapter No. 321

Cross References

Student Health Services 6.401