

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION OF PEEL REGION STOPR

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Statement	<p>STOPR shall comply with Ontario Legislation Bill 3, 2005 (An Act to Protect Anaphylactic Pupils, also known as Sabrina's Law 2005)</p> <p>STOPR shall comply with Ontario Legislation Bill 20, 2015 (An Act to Protect Pupils with Asthma, also known as Ryan's Law 2015)</p> <p>Therefore, STOPR recognizes that, during the bus/van trip from home to school and back, it may be necessary for the driver to immediately administer medication using an <i>epinephrine auto-injector (epi-pen)</i> and/or a metered-dose inhaler (puffer) to students who have a life-threatening allergic reaction and/or an asthma attack.</p>
Procedures	<p>STOPR will ensure that all transportation service agreements include the requirement for contracted bus and van operators to ensure that all drivers receive training in the recognition of signs of a medical emergency, and in the administration of medication in the form of an epinephrine auto-injector and a metered-dose inhaler to students identified as having a life-threatening allergy and/or an asthma condition.</p> <p>In accordance with the procedure bus drivers may administer medication using an auto-injector or metered-dose inhaler according to the following protocol:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The student's parent or guardian must have completed and signed all appropriate designated Board forms outlining the life threatening management and prevention plan, which must also be signed by a doctor and given to the school. 2. The student will take responsibility for keeping their epinephrine auto-injector and/or metered-dose inhaler with them at all times and it is recommended that they carry their auto-injector and/or metered-dose inhaler in a "fanny pack". 3. The parent/guardian will inform the bus driver of the location of the auto-injector and/or metered-dose inhaler on the student's person.

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<i>Procedures</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. The identified student will know how to use the auto-injector and/or metered-dose inhaler as appropriate given the student's age and/or abilities. 5. The identified student will take as much responsibility as possible for avoiding allergens and/or asthma triggers as appropriate given the student's age and/or abilities. <p>When a bus driver uses the epinephrine auto-injector and/or a metered-dose inhaler, he/she does so in accordance with the procedure of STOPR and Ontario Legislation Bill 3, 2005 (An Act to protect Anaphylactic Pupils, also known as Sabrina's Law 2005) and/or Ontario Legislation Bill 20, 2015 (An Act to protect Pupils with Asthma, also known as Ryan's Law 2015)</p> <p>All students identified as having a life-threatening allergy and/or an asthma condition and who may need to have medication administered with an epinephrine auto-injector and/or a metered-dose inhaler, must complete all necessary Board Forms and Emergency Plan duly completed and signed by the parents and doctor.</p> <p>This documentation will be kept on file as per School Board policies and will remain valid until the pupil's medical condition is updated by the doctor. It is the responsibility of the child's parent or guardian to notify the school who will then notify STOPR about any changes, as appropriate.</p> <p>Each year, the school shall update their student data system to indicate which students have been identified as having a Life-Threatening allergy and/or an Asthma condition and who may need to have medication administered with an auto-injector and/or a metered-dose inhaler. This information will be shared with STOPR through a "download" from the respective Boards student data systems (Trillium, SIS) and the student will be automatically identified on the driver's route report as "Life Threatening Allergy" and/or "Asthma Alert".</p> <p>Each year, the school principal or designate will inform school bus drivers of the presence of students with anaphylactic</p>
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<i>Procedures</i>	<p>allergies and/or asthma conditions and share any pertinent information with the driver.</p> <p>It is recommended that a front row seat located across the aisle from the bus driver should be reserved for each student that has been identified as having a life-threatening allergic reaction and/or an asthma condition and who may need to have medication administered with an auto-injector and/or metered-dose inhaler.</p> <p>Where appropriate, given the age and/or abilities of the student, a “bus buddy” system may be implemented.</p> <p>Whenever an identified student appears to have problems during his/her travel on a school bus:</p> <p>The bus driver must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pull the vehicle over to the side of the road in a safe and appropriate location. 2. Ensure that the vehicle is secured and radio their dispatcher with their location and advise they have a medical emergency and require an ambulance. 3. Assess the student and determine whether to administer the epinephrine auto-injector and/or metered-dose inhaler. 4. If it proves necessary to administer the epinephrine auto-injector and/or the metered-dose inhaler, do so and contact their dispatcher again to confirm that an ambulance has been dispatched. 5. Watch over the pupil until the arrival of the ambulance or emergency services. 6. Ensure that the auto-injector and/or metered-dose inhaler that was used, is given to the emergency services team. <p>The dispatcher must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confirm with the bus driver the time and location of the incident. 2. Inform the 911 emergency service and the school of the student involved in the incident. 3. Remain in contact with the 911 emergency service staff
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