

MAINTENANCE AND USE OF GLUCAGON

Glucagon is a drug that raises the level of glucose (sugar) in a person's blood. It is commonly given by injection or nasally, and is used to treat severe hypoglycemia (low blood sugar). The Board may procure injectable or nasally administered glucagon for each school in the District to have on the school premises for use in emergency situations, as reasonably determined by the individual administering the glucagon.

Procedures

If the Board procures glucagon, the following procedures shall be complied with:

1. A licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs shall personally furnish the injectable or nasally administered glucagon to the District or issue a prescription for the glucagon in the name of the District.
2. The Superintendent shall obtain a prescriber-issued protocol that includes definitive orders for injectable or nasally administered glucagon and the dosages to be administered.
3. Injectable or nasally administered glucagon shall be stored at one or more of the following locations in each school building:

Mapleton Elementary School – Clinic
Mapleton Middle School – Clinic
Mapleton High School - Clinic
4. Injectable or nasally administered glucagon must be stored, replaced, and disposed of in accordance with the instructions provided by the manufacturer and/or prescriber.
5. A school nurse licensed under R.C. 3319.221, an athletic trainer licensed under Chapter 4755 of the Ohio Revised Code, and any other District employee or contractor who has received the necessary training specified in Section 6 of this Board Policy may access and use injectable or nasally administered glucagon in an emergency situation, as reasonably determined by such individual.
6. The District's school nurse or another licensed healthcare provider, as determined by the Superintendent, shall provide training to Board employees and contractors seeking to be authorized to access and use glucagon in accordance with this Board Policy. Such training shall include lessons on proper storage and use, as well as symptoms and other indications that the emergency use of glucagon is medically necessary. Such training must be completed before an employee or contractor is authorized to access and use glucagon.

7. Assistance from an emergency medical service provider shall be requested immediately after a dose of glucagon is administered.
8. A dose of glucagon may be administered only in an emergency situation to District students.
9. The District shall report to the Ohio Department of Education each procurement and each occurrence in which a dose of the glucagon is used from its supply.

Immunity from Tort Liability

Members of the Board, the District, employees, contractors, and licensed health professionals authorized to prescribe drugs, who personally furnish or prescribe injectable or nasally administered glucagon, who consult with the Superintendent or issue a protocol pursuant to this policy, are not liable for damages in a civil action for injury, death, or loss to person or property that allegedly arises from an act or omission associated with procuring, maintaining, accessing, or using injectable or nasally administered glucagon under this section, unless the act or omission constitutes willful or wanton misconduct

The Superintendent consulted with a licensed health professional authorized to prescribe drugs before the adoption of this policy.

LEGAL REFS: O.R.C. §3313.7115

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