General Use Epinephrine Program

Epinephrine Resources

Archdiocese of Baltimore

Department of Catholic Schools

Office of Risk Management

2018/2019 School Year

**Training and Educational Resources**

National School Nurses Association (NASN):

<http://www.nasn.org/ToolsResources/FoodAllergyandAnaphylaxis/GetTrained>

FARE (Formally FAAN) Food Allergy Research and Education:

<http://www.foodallergy.org/resources/schools>

<http://allergyready.com/>

Safe snacks:

<http://snacksafely.com/>

**Auto-injector resources:**

Epi-Pens:

<http://www.epipen4schools.com/> (provides free/discounted Epi-Pens)

<http://www.epipen.com/> (Information on Epi-Pens and their use)

Auvi-q: <https://www.auvi-q.com/>

Generic Epinephrine Auto-injectors: <http://www.epinephrineautoinject.com/>

Adrenaclick Generic Epinephrine Auto-injector: <http://adrenaclick.com/>

**Of Note:** The American Academy of Pediatrics and NASN recommend changing the weight/height guidelines for determination of dose from 66lbs/ 135cm to 55lbs/ 125cm. Please see this presentation for more information on food allergy management: <https://www.aap.org/en-us/Documents/practicesupport_food_allergy_epidemiology_diagnosis_management_presentation_slides.pdf> (to get the PDF to work please copy and paste this URL into your internet browser).

FDA guidelines and auto-injectable epinephrine packaging still use the 66lbs/135cm guidelines for the determination of dose. Therefore the Archdiocese General Use Policy and Procedure for 2018-2019 still reflects the 66lbs/135 cm guidelines. Your school’s physician/licensed prescriber may review the above presentation and make a determination as to which guidelines to use.

The FDA also just approved a lower dose Auvi-q for use in toddlers and infants:

<https://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm617173.htm>

The FDA just approved a generic version of the Epi-Pen and Epi-Pen Jr in August of 2018:

<https://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm617173.htm>