

Dear Parent/Guardian

Please complete and sign the attached Anaphylaxis Standard Health Care Plan (SHCP) for your child and return it to the community program. This health care plan is completed every year so that staff has current health information about your child.

The Unified Referral and Intake System (URIS) is a joint initiative of the provincial government departments of Health, Education and Family Services. URIS provides support for children with specific health care needs (e.g., asthma, life-threatening allergies, diabetes, seizures) when they are attending school, child care facility or other community programs. When a child is approved for URIS support, a registered nurse develops a health care plan and provides training to community program staff. The Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA) provides URIS support in your child's community program.

Your child's community program has requested the WRHA to provide URIS support for his/her life threatening allergy (anaphylaxis). The attached Standard Health Care Plan (SHCP) has been established by URIS and was developed through consultation with clinical experts. It is the recommended practice for responding to an anaphylactic reaction in community program settings. Antihistamines (e.g., Benadryl) are not recommended and will not be used in the management of life-threatening allergies in community program settings.

An important part of managing life-threatening allergies is the avoidance of allergens. Please contact the community program if you would like more information on their anaphylaxis policy. School division policies can be also found on their website.

It is important that we work together to support your child's health care needs and we appreciate the time and information that you have provided. Once you have returned the attached plan to the community program, I will review it and call you if I have any questions. The plan will be used by the staff to guide their response if your child experiences difficulty with his/her life- threatening allergy.

If you have any questions about completing the plan, please call me.



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