



Purpose and Scope

This document details the relevant emergency procedure to treat any person at the School who is suffering an Anaphylactic reaction. This Procedure applies to all School Employees and Students at the School.

Clinical Presentation of Possible Allergic and Anaphylactic Reaction

Common symptoms of a mild to moderate allergic reaction include hives, welts or body redness, swelling of the face, lips or eyes.

Signs of severe allergic reaction include vomiting, abdominal pain, tingling of the mouth.

Signs of a severe allergic anaphylactic reaction include:

- difficult and/or noisy breathing.
- swelling of the tongue.
- swelling or tightness in the throat.
- difficulty talking and/or hoarse voice.
- wheeze or persistent cough.
- persistent dizziness or collapsing; or
- pale and floppy (particularly in younger children).

Emergency Response Procedures

Lay person flat – do not allow person to stand or walk.

- If unconscious, place them in the recovery position.
- If breathing is difficult allow them to sit up.
- Administer general use adrenaline auto-injector. If there is doubt about the diagnosis still administer the general use adrenaline auto-injector.
- Note the time that it was administered.
- Call Emergency Services (000) and follow instructions.
- Monitor patient and notify the relevant School Employees to assist if available.
- Commence CPR if at any time the patient is unresponsive and/or not breathing.
- Further adrenaline may be administered as required if the patient deteriorates.
- Transfer patient to hospital via ambulance along with any discharged general use adrenaline auto injector(s).
- Ensure parents/legal guardian or carer is notified.