TEAM MEMBERS

- Student
- Parent/Guardian
- School
- Public Health Nurse
- Doctor

It is the parent/guardian’s responsibility to inform the school of their child’s medical alert condition. It is a joint partnership between team members: students, parent/guardian, school, physician and Public Health Nurse to ensure the safety of your child in the school.

Parents may request “Administrative Guidelines for Managing Students with Medical Alert Conditions” School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson) from your school principal.

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MEDICAL ALERT

There are students in school who may require emergency care by school staff. These conditions are physician diagnosed, and potentially life threatening. They require planned care and support inside, as well as outside the school environment, e.g. field trips.

LIFE THREATENING CONDITIONS INCLUDE

- Diabetes
- Epilepsy/Seizure disorder
- Anaphylaxis and/or history of severe allergic reaction.
- Severe asthma
- Blood clotting disorders such as haemophilia
- Other conditions which may require emergency care.

TO SUPPORT THE SCHOOL IN PROVIDING FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILD

1. Give your school the correct information about your child's medical condition when you register by filling out the "Medical Alert Planning Form" available at the school office.

2. If medication is needed at school that requires help from a school employee, fill out the "Request for Medication Administration at School Form." Your Doctor will need to fill out Part B of this form.

3. Talk to your Public Health Nurse about how training can be provided for the school staff members.

4. Review the “Medical Alert Planning Form” each September and at any time there is a change in your child's condition.

5. Have your physician complete the "Request for Medication Administration at School Form" each year before school starts, and at any time that there is a change in your child's medication.

6. Give medication to your school in the original container and replace it when it is outdated. Provide equipment to give medication, e.g., measuring spoon. Remove the medication supply from the school at the end of the school year.

7. Your child should wear a medical alert bracelet or necklace. Ask at your drug store or call Medic-Alert at: 1-800-668-1507. Website: www.medicalert.ca

RESOURCES

Canadian Health Network
Website: www.canadian-health-network.ca
+b-search health topic

- Canadian Diabetes Association
  1-800-665-6526
  Website: www.diabetes.ca

B.C. Epilepsy Society
  1-800-223-3366
  Website: www.epilepsy.ca

For additional information on resources contact:

Public Health Nursing
Kamloops: 851-7300
Barriere: 672-5515
Chase: 679-1418
Clearwater: 674-3141