School Surveillance and Medication Program (SSMP)

STOCK EPINEPHRINE PROGRAM

Could your school benefit from stock epinephrine to treat individuals who experience anaphylaxis? If so, visit our website: https://ssmp.maricopa.gov

After completing and submitting each of the requirements prompted in the SSMP web application, your school can obtain annual standing orders and a prescription from the MCDPH Medical Director.

There are programs to assist schools in locating stock epinephrine at little to no cost. Find a list of these programs at: https://www.kyahraynefoundation.org/get-involved

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the School Surveillance and Medication Program (SSMP)?
A: The School Surveillance and Medication Program (SSMP) is an online web application that supports the law for emergency administration for epinephrine auto-injectors (EAI) (HB 2085 and ARS §15-157). The SSMP is a voluntary program that allows schools to register, enroll, and obtain a stock epinephrine prescription once they have become certified.

Q: How can my school participate in the Stock Epinephrine Program?
A: Your school will need to register and enroll in the SSMP web application. After completing and submitting the required documents, your school can obtain and receive annual standing orders and a prescription from the MCDPH Medical Director. To enroll, please visit https://ssmp.maricopa.gov/

Q: Where will I get a standing order and prescription for the stock epinephrine?
A: After enrolling in the SSMP and following all requirements, schools can obtain a standing order and a prescription from the MCDPH Medical Director.

Q: Who can use the stock epinephrine?
A: Any individual who presents with anaphylaxis may be administered the stock epinephrine by a trained school staff member.

Q: Who provides the training to school personnel on how to administer stock epinephrine?
A: The annual training, created by the Kyah Rayne Foundation, is provided online by the Western Region Public Health Training Center at the University of Arizona, College of Public Health. Once completed, school personnel will receive a certificate of completion. To register and access the training, please visit: https://moodle.publichealth.arizona.edu/enrol/index.php?id=243

Q: My school is interested in implementing it, but the cost is an issue. Is there funding available for schools?
A: While there is not a general funding source for schools, we encourage you to apply for grants, contact the pharmaceutical companies, providers, coalitions, local pharmacies, and your school’s PTA who may have programs or resources available. The Kyah Rayne Foundation has compiled a list of programs and discounts designed to lower the costs of EAI, which you can access through: https://www.kyahraynefoundation.org/get-involved.

Q: What if an individual showing signs of anaphylaxis without a physician diagnosis of food allergy uses the stock epinephrine, is the school staff/nurse held liable?
A: If an individual presents with anaphylaxis, the school staff/nurse who has completed the required training should administer the stock epinephrine. HB 2085 protects the school staff/nurse from any liability associated with good faith use of the stock epinephrine.