

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER POLICY MANUAL EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS

Responsible Department: Campus Safety
Recommended By: Vice Chancellor for Student
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I. INTRODUCTION

- **A.** Colorado law requires institutions of higher education to obtain Epinephrine autoinjectors for the purpose of administering to persons perceived to be experiencing anaphylaxis.
- **B.** Colorado law provides immunity from criminal prosecution for individuals who act in good faith to use an epinephrine auto-injector to administer epinephrine to another person whom the person believes to be suffering anaphylaxis.

II. POLICY OVERVIEW

- **A.** The University, through its Health and Counseling Center ("HCC"), will acquire and stock a supply of epinephrine auto-injectors.
- **B.** The University will supply epinephrine auto-injectors to the Department of Campus Safety ("Campus Safety") and the Division of the James C. Kennedy Mountain Campus, Wellness and Recreation ("KMCWR") to include in emergency response kits.
- **C.** HCC will, in coordination with DU Emergency Medical Services ("DU EMS"), provide training in the use of epinephrine auto-injectors to Campus Safety and KMCWR personnel.
- **D.** Campus Safety or KMCWR, as applicable, shall maintain a written record of each instance in which a University epinephrine auto-injector is used to treat an individual perceived to be experiencing anaphylaxis on University Premises.
- **E.** Any University community member who renders emergency care or treatment to a person perceived to be experiencing anaphylaxis should, as soon as possible call 911, and activate the University emergency response system by calling Campus Safety at 303-871-3000. A person who acts in good faith to render emergency care or treatment is immune from liability under Colorado law.
- **F.** The University will accept a donation(s) of funding for or a supply of epinephrine auto-injectors that meets standards established by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

III. PROCESS OVERVIEW

- **A.** HCC shall acquire and maintain a supply of epinephrine auto-injectors and will provide epinephrine auto-injectors to Campus Safety and KMCWR for inclusion in their respective emergency medical response kit(s).
- **B.** Campus Safety and KMCWR each will maintain an inventory (including the location) of all epinephrine auto-injectors provided to them for inclusion in their emergency medical response kits. Each of Campus Safety and KMCWR will notify HCC of any changes to their inventory so that HCC can re-stock the applicable supply of epinephrine auto-injectors.
- **C.** HCC will maintain a record of epinephrine auto-injectors provided to Campus Safety and KMCWR, including expiration dates, and replace as needed (in accordance with manufacturer recommendations).
- **D.** DU EMS, in collaboration with the HCC, shall develop a training program for Campus Safety and KMCWR personnel on the use of epinephrine auto-injectors.

IV. DEFINITIONS

- **A. "Anaphylaxis"** means a life-threatening allergic reaction. This severe reaction happens when an over-release of chemicals puts the person into shock. Allergies to food, insect stings, medications and latex are most frequently associated with anaphylaxis.
- **B.** "University Premises" includes all land, buildings, facilities, or other property in the possession of, or owned, used, operated, or controlled by the University, including adjacent streets and sidewalks.

V. RESOURCES

A. Colorado Revised Statute C.R.S. § 23-5-149

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