TITLE 26 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

PART 1 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

CHAPTER 748 MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR GENERAL RESIDENTIAL

OPERATIONS

SUBCHAPTER L MEDICATION

DIVISION 8 UNASSIGNED EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS

§748.2271. What are the requirements if my operation chooses to maintain and administer unassigned epinephrine auto-injectors?

If your operation maintains and administers unassigned epinephrine auto-injectors to use when a child in care has an emergency anaphylaxis reaction, you must:

- (1) Adopt and implement a written policy that complies with the unassigned epinephrine auto-injector requirements set by the Texas Department of State Health Services, as specified in 25 TAC Chapter 40, Subchapter C (relating to Epinephrine Auto-Injector Policies in Youth Facilities) and Texas Health and Safety Code §773.0145;
- (2) Notify the child's parent, immediately after ensuring the safety of the child, if the child has had an emergency anaphylaxis reaction that required administration of an unassigned epinephrine auto-injector; and
- (3) Maintain and make available for review, upon our request, proof that you have notified the child's parent of an incident where the child in care had an emergency anaphylaxis reaction that required administration of an unassigned epinephrine auto-injector.

Helpful Information

DSHS requirements for the maintenance and administration of unassigned epinephrine auto-injectors include requirements for:

- Training;
- Storage;
- Administration;
- Disposal;
- Reporting; and
- Parental notification of policies.

You can find more information about these requirements, as well as definitions pertaining to anaphylaxis, at <u>Allergies and Anaphylaxis</u>, <u>Epinephrine Auto-Injector Policies in Youth Facilities</u>, and in the <u>CCR TA Library</u>.