



ADMINISTRATION OF EMERGENCY ANTI-SEIZURE MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

WHAT California Education Code Section 49414.7 authorizes a school district, county office of education, or charter school to participate in a program to provide nonmedical school employees with voluntary emergency medical training to provide, in the absence of a credentialed school nurse or other licensed nurse, with written authorization, the administration of emergency anti-seizure medication for a student experiencing a seizure. This "emergency anti-seizure medication" is diazepam rectal gel (Diastat®) but can include other FDA-approved anti-seizure medications prescribed for specific patients for the management of specific seizure activity. These medications reduce the severity of the epileptic seizure.

HOW The parent/guardian of a pupil with a seizure disorder who has been prescribed an emergency anti-seizure medication (Diastat® or other) can request that the school have one or more of its staff receive voluntary training in order to administer the medication. Proper documentation from both the parent/guardian and pupil's physician is required.

If you are contacted by a parent/guardian about the need for emergency anti-seizure medication (Diastat® or other, including Lorazepam and Midazolam) at school, please consult with your School District Nurse or contact the Nurse of the Day (NOD) at 415-242-2615. Your School District Nurse or the Nurse of the Day will assist you with the necessary forms that must be completed in order for the medication to be administered.

A "Notification of Student with Anti-Seizure Medication" must be completed and faxed/emailed to the Nurse of the Day @ 415-242-2618 (fax).

Please note that volunteers can **ONLY** be solicited by electronic notice to **ALL** staff no more than two times a year **for each student**. An agreement to administer an emergency anti-seizure medication is voluntary. A volunteer must complete the required training before administering emergency anti-seizure medication.

WHY San Francisco Unified School District strives to meet the needs of all students with chronic health conditions in accordance with the requirements of the California Education Code.

If you have any questions, please call the Nurse of the Day at 415-242-2615