

**Parent Letter Regarding
NYS Law Requiring *Attestation* for Independent Carry and Use
City School District of New Rochelle
Health Services Department**

Dear Parents or Guardians,

Date: ___/___/___

A new New York State law allows students with **respiratory (breathing) conditions (Asthma/RAD), allergies, and/or Diabetes the right to independently carry and use their inhaled respiratory rescue medications; epinephrine auto-injectors; and Insulin, Glucagon, and related Diabetes supplies** if the following is provided to the school:

1. written permission from the parent/guardian; and
2. written provider order with an attestation stating both the diagnosis, and that the student has demonstrated they can effectively administer the medication(s).

“Independent carry and use of medications” means that your child will take his/her own medicine without any help. The school will not know if your child takes his/her medicine. If you want your child to independently carry and use a medication listed above during the school day or at school sponsored events, you will need to ask his/her health care practitioner to put in writing (attest), that s/he has watched your child use the medication correctly. We may ask you to have your practitioner write another order with the required information, if the attestation is not on the medication order you bring to school.

After review by our school health team, students with other health conditions who need medications quickly during the school day or at school sponsored events may also be given permission to independently carry and use their medications if they provide the same written documentation.

Sincerely,

Adrienne Weiss-Harrison, M.D., F.A.A.P.

District Medical Director

Please direct any questions to:

Nurse: _____ School: _____

Phone; _____ Fax: _____

This sample resource is located at www.schoolhealthservicesny.com in the SN Toolkit 8-15