

## Response to question on notice

### Questions on Notice Paper No 9 5 September 2025 Question No. 571

**MS CASTLEY:** To ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood —

1. Does the Government's policy on anaphylaxis medicine in schools include devices besides automatic injectors, such as nasal spray devices.
2. Are teachers authorised to administer adrenaline using such devices, such as in an emergency or with parental permission.
3. If limited to automatic injectors, does the Government intend to review or expand authorisation to nasal spray devices by amending the relevant regulations.

**YVETTE BERRY MLA** - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. No. The Education Directorate's policy on anaphylaxis medication in schools does not include devices other than adrenaline auto injector devices.
2. Where a student suffers from anaphylaxis ACT public school employees will follow the instructions as set out in the Anaphylaxis Management Procedures. If the student has a Known Medical Condition Response Plan in place, staff will follow the steps set out in the plan. If a student does not have a Known Medical Condition Response Plan in place, employees will follow standard First Aid protocols and the ACSIA Action Plan which only provides for the administration of adrenaline auto injector devices.
3. The Education Directorate will review the policy on anaphylaxis management and consider expanding authorisation for other devices and medications where they are approved for use by the Therapeutic Goods Administration.

**Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.**

**Yvette Berry MLA**  
Minister for Education and Early Childhood

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