



## MEDICAL CONDITIONS POLICY

Children who are diagnosed with medical conditions such as asthma, epilepsy, ADHD, ADD, diabetes, food allergies and anaphylaxis can be faced with general health problems.

Staff and families should discuss management of these situations and both staff and parents should monitor the health and well-being of these children. Staff should alert parents when any illness or infection is identified at the Centre.

To help children stay safe and healthy, services must have a medical conditions policy that includes:

- the management of asthma, diabetes or a diagnoses that a child is at risk of anaphylaxis
- information to staff about managing these conditions
- service procedures if a child enrolled has a specific health care need, allergy or relevant medical condition
- the self-administration of medication by children over pre-school age, if permitted
- recording notification from a child who has self-administered medication.

Services must have a medical conditions policy even if they have no children with a medical condition enrolled at the service as new medical conditions can emerge while a child is at the service.

If a child enrolls at the service and has a medical condition, the child's family must provide a medical management plan. In collaboration with the family, the service must develop a communications plan to minimise risk by ensuring staff and volunteers understand the medical conditions policy, and each child's medical requirements.

The following forms will be required for all **relevant** medical conditions: **Asthma Care Plan, Anaphylaxis Action Plan, Epilepsy Emergency Medical Plan, Diabetic Management Plan & ADD/ADHD Management Plan.**

**Risk Minimisation, Communication Plan and Medical Management Plan will be required for all medical conditions.**