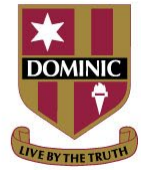


DOMINIC COLLEGE

A Catholic School in the Salesian Tradition



STUDENT MEDICATION POLICY

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Related Documents	Student Medication and First Aid Procedure Student Medication Authorisation Form

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1. OUR PHILOSOPHY

Dominic College is a Christ-centred learning community founded in the Salesian and Dominican traditions. The policies of the College, underpinned by the Gospel values, serve to promote the dignity and uniqueness of each human person.

The four pillars in the Charter for Salesian Schools encapsulate Don Bosco's vision and guides the College in all aspects of school life. Accordingly, we are:

- A HOME that welcomes
- A SCHOOL that prepares for life
- A PARISH that evangelises
- A PLAYGROUND where friends meet and enjoy themselves.

Our Medication Policy reflects the ethos of the College and our legal obligations.

2. RATIONALE

In acknowledging that staff are not trained medical practitioners it is our preference that no medication is administered at school. In recognising our responsibility, as far as reasonably practicable, to protect the health and welfare of students we acknowledge that there will be occasions when the administration of medication is necessary. Parents/carers should first:

- Ensure that the medication is required
- Consult with their medical practitioner for alternate arrangements avoiding school time administration
- Speak with the College Compliance Officer, Student Services staff, and Class Teacher/Oratory Teacher regarding the need for this medication.
- Obtain the relevant medication form for completion by
 - a. the prescribing doctor
 - b. parents/carers

3. MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

There are strict controls regarding medication at school.

- Students are not permitted to carry medication at school
- Exceptions are made for prescribed medications such as EpiPens or Asthma inhalers.
- Other exemptions will be made on a case-by-case basis
- Medication will be stored securely in an office
- Students will be supervised to self-administer medication where possible

- Students should report to the Student Services Office for scheduled medication supervision
- K-2 students will be provided medication by staff at the appropriate hub
- Student and medication details will be confirmed by two people prior to administering
- Information on medication and supervised administration will be recorded

PARENT/CARER RESPONSIBILITIES

Parents/carers are responsible for ensuring that:

- The medical issue requiring medication is identified to the College
- Accurate and up to date information is provided prior to medication being supplied.
- Ensuring medication is up to date.
- Supplying medication in original packaging or Webster Pack with the following information
 - a. Students name
 - b. Prescribing doctors name
 - c. Dosage
 - d. Administering and storage instructions and equipment
- Over the counter or chemist medication must be supported by a note from the prescriber on the appropriate form

4. MANAGEMENT PLANS AND ACTION PLANS

Several conditions can require scheduled medication, may be lifelong or life threatening.

Dominic College acknowledges the seriousness of these conditions and requires the dedicated support of parents/carers and medical practitioners in the management of these conditions at school. Management plans should be developed in consultation with parents, teachers, and support personnel where they are deemed necessary.

Dominic College requires the supply of Action Plans for the following conditions:

- Asthma
- Anaphylaxis
- Diabetes
- Epilepsy
- Other conditions as requested

Updated actions plans are required to be supplied as required or on a yearly basis at a minimum.

5. MEDICATION ON OVERNIGHT EVENTS

Students attending overnight events may require medication that has not previously been administered or supervised by staff. Approval for the provision of pain relief, antihistamines, and/or prescription medication on these events is required. Requirements for medication administration on overnight events include:

- Identification and recording of medical issue requiring medication
- Clear dosage and timing information
- Supply of medication in the original chemist box or a Webster pack