



Hodge Hill Girls' School

COVID-19 Addendum: to Medical Treatment of Pupils Policy 2020

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Appendix to Medical Treatment of Pupils Policy – COVID-19

The main policy objectives are as follows.

- Ongoing support to children and young people with long term and complex medical conditions are in place.
- That the school's ability to supply emergency intervention required where possible.
- That staff are aware of social and emotional implications of long-term ill health for individual pupils, and that provision is made to support pupils in this position.
- That reintegration back into school, following long-term illnesses/medical conditions are planned and supported.

In line with COVID-19 Government guidance, the school has put in place (as supported by the school's COVID-19 risk assessment) measures to ensure that the objectives of the policy can be followed as can be reasonably expected under the current COVID-19 regulations and expectations.

Please note the following COVID-19 additions to the policy:

- Students to carry own EpiPen and asthma medication / inhalers and prescription medication (where applicable)
- Where medication requires refrigeration, parents/carers will need to contact the Pastoral Manager for their child's year group for further guidance
- We will continue to follow the policy guidance regarding the administration and management of medication. This should be undertaken by parents/carers at home
- Request to administer medication: when it would be detrimental to the pupil's health or school attendance not to do so and where we have parents' written consent, prescription medication can be administered by the school following Government COVID-19 guidance and the requirement to wear PPE for such procedures
- Designated First Aid staff attending to the medical treatment of pupils will be wearing approved PPE
- Social distancing measures will be in place as far as reasonably can be expected. If this is not feasible then full PPE will be provided
- All staff and pupils will follow Government COVID-19 guidance regarding sanitation such as handwashing routines
- The disposal of all medical related items will be in line with Government COVID-19 guidelines i.e. double bagged and placed in a medical bin in key designated areas
- Any expired medication will be retained by the school until we receive further guidance regarding its return or disposal
- Designated First Aid staff will receive PPE training

- In the Y10 return to school meeting, pupils have been asked to ensure that their parent/carers contact the school if their medical information held in school has changed