TRAINING PROGRAM FOR UNLICENSED SCHOOL-PERSONNEL TO ADMINISTER EPINEPHRINE BY AUTO-INJECTOR IN LIFE-THREATENING SITUATIONS

APPENDIX B
(adapted from “Managing Life Threatening Food Allergies in School”, Massachusetts Dept. of Education)

Purpose:
To provide unlicensed school personnel with basic knowledge and skills to administer epinephrine by auto-injector in a life-threatening situation

Instructor:
School nurse or physician

Objectives:
Upon completion of training, the participant(s) will demonstrate the following competencies:

- *identify common causes of allergic emergencies;
- *accurately recognize general and student-specific warning signs of allergic emergency;
- *accurately identify student for whom the epinephrine is prescribed;
- *accurately read and interpret the allergy response plan;
- *correctly follow directions on the allergy response plan;
- *accurately read the epinephrine label and follow directions from the label;
- *administer epinephrine by auto-injector;
- *safely handle epinephrine in an auto-injector;
- *accurately describe the school’s plan for responding to emergencies;
- *access resources appropriately, including emergency medical services, school nurse, parents and physician.
EPINEPHRINE COMPETENCY SKILL CHECKLIST

Name and Title of Staff Person: ________________________________________________

The following competencies have been demonstrated by the staff person:

____ States the responsibilities of the school nurse for training and supervision
____ Identifies the common causes of allergic emergencies
____ Describes general and student-specific warning signs of allergic emergency
____ Demonstrates how to activate the school’s plan for responding to emergencies
____ Identifies student for whom the epinephrine is prescribed
____ Interprets accurately the emergency medication administration plan
____ Follows the directions on the Allergy Response Plan
____ Reads the label on the epinephrine auto-injector, assuring the correct dosage
____ Demonstrates safe handling of epinephrine auto-injector
____ Demonstrates correct procedure for giving epinephrine by auto-injector
____ Demonstrates how to access emergency medical services, school nurse, student’s parent/guardian or other emergency contacts, student’s physician

Comments: ________________________________

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Signatures:

Supervised by: ___________________________ RN or MD

Staff Person: ______________________________

Date: ________________________________