

15th July 2020

Dear Head teacher,

Update on Medical Conditions Awareness

In response to the planned return of all children to education settings in the Autumn term 2020, Warwickshire School Health and Wellbeing Service have reviewed the delivery of Medical Conditions Training following enquiries, requests and feedback from schools.

The service will now be offering free Medical Conditions training on a cluster basis in four localities across Warwickshire. The session will include Asthma, Anaphylaxis and Epilepsy and will be delivered by School Nurses, adhering to social distancing guidance. These cluster training sessions will have limited places due to these restrictions and we would appreciate if you could confirm if your school wishes to send any delegates to a session. We are currently looking for venues that can hold 40 delegates safely, please contact us if you are able to offer your school. We will send out further communication to all schools confirming the session details once venues have been confirmed.

Unfortunately, we are unable to deliver our normal traded offer of medical conditions training. However, to ensure that all schools are supported, there will be free awareness webinars providing relevant information on Asthma, Anaphylaxis and Epilepsy. This will provide schools with more flexibility in accessing the Medical Conditions training. A demonstration on how to use an auto injector will be shown during the webinars. As this is a virtual session, we are unable to individually assess auto injector administration technique. The webinar will be available to schools from 1st September 2020. Further communication on how to access the webinars will be provided as soon as possible.

Where there is a newly diagnosed child or a new pupil to the school where staff have not been previously trained, please contact the service to discuss your school requirements.

Buccal Midazolam training

We will prioritise training for school staff where there is a newly diagnosed child or new pupil to school where Buccal Midazolam is required or where school staff require their annual refresher training. The full training will be provided through webinar and a face to face session incorporating Epilepsy awareness and the administration of Buccal Midazolam. Staff attending Buccal Midazolam training will be required to have a current CPR/Basic life support certificate in place.

Our attendance at schools will be dependent on our partners being able to provide a safe working environment for our staff and participants.

If you have any questions or require support, please contact us on 03300 245 204 or via email:

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Yours sincerely

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