Anaphylaxis Letter to Parents

Dear Parent/guardian,

As most of you are aware we have a growing number of children in our school who have severe allergies to certain triggers eg. Nuts, eggs, insects stings. These allergic reactions are extremely serious and can be life threatening in some circumstances.

We have children in our OSHC who have severe allergies. Some of these children even inhaling minute particles, or touching an area that has been in contact with these foods is enough to trigger a severe reaction, therefore we are asking parents for their support in avoiding these foods coming to OSHC programs.

It is the responsibility of OSHC to minimise risk of injury and harm to all children and in this instance we really do need the co-operation of the community. The types of foods which are of particular concern, are those containing nuts eg. peanut butter and Nutella.

No child who has been prescribed an adrenaline device such as an Epipen/Anapen will be accepted into the programme without the accompanying medication and Action Plan.

- EPIPENS MUST NOT BE OUT OF EXPIRY DATE
- ACTION PLANS MUST BE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR
- OTHER MEDICATIONS ALSO TO BE IN DATE AND A SIGNED PERMISSION FORM COMPLETED

We would greatly appreciate your understanding and support in this matter. To keep our records up to date, please send us written advice of any changes to your child’s Anaphylaxis action plan. If you have any concerns feel free to discuss them with a staff member.

Further information may be found at www.allergy.org.au

Regards.

Out Of School Hours Care.