

## Rhode Island Department of Human Services

All Providers: Medication Administration & Parental Consent for Medication Updated 1/13/2023

## **Important Information**

A child who must take medication during child care hours is required to have a medication request completed and returned to the provider. New requests must be filled out by the parent/guardian each time a new medication is to be administered.

Prescribed and non-prescribed (over the counter) medication must not be administered to a child without:

- Written permission from the parent/guardian; and
- Written order from a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or nurse practitioner (which may
  include the label on the medication) indicating that the medicine is for a specified child.

The written order includes the name of the child, name of the medication, circumstances under which it may be administered, route, dosage, and frequency of administration.

For School Age children (enrolled in Kindergarten or older) who self-carry rescue medication (prescription inhalers and/or auto-injectable epinephrine), there must also be medical documentation that the rescue medication has been prescribed and that the child needs to carry it on his or her person due to a medical condition.

## **Authorization** To be completed by the parent/guardian – all information is required. Child's Name: Route ☐ Mouth DOB: ☐ Eye: (Right / Left) Medication: ☐ Nose: (Right / Left) ☐ Yes ☐ No Refrigerated: ☐ Ear: (Right / Left) ☐ Skin Dosage: ☐ Other: Schedule: ☐ Physician Ordered Start Date: End Date: Physician Name: Reason for medication: I authorize the following program Provider/Program Name to administer the following prescription medication or over-the-counter medication to the child named here. In addition, I will provide a list of potential side effects, obtained at the pharmacy, for prescription medications. The medication I am providing is clearly label in it's original container. Date Parent/Guardian (Print) Parent/Guardian Signature