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Subject: Expanded Methods of Administration of Glucagon

Glucagon is an emergency medication administered to persons with diabetes who develop life threatening, severely low blood sugar (hypoglycemia). Immediate administration of glucagon is necessary. Education Law § 921 has permitted trained unlicensed school personnel to administer glucagon by injection to students with appropriate healthcare provider orders. With a new form of glucagon available that is administered intranasally, effective August 2, 2021, Education Law § 921 was amended to allow trained unlicensed personnel to administer glucagon by any route, including intranasally, and by other routes of administration that may become available in the future.

Information on this medication along with training requirements is available in NYSED's <u>Guidelines for Medication Management in Schools (nysed.gov)</u>.

Please contact the Office of Student Support Services if you have questions at <u>studentsupportservices@nysed.gov</u> or at 518-486-6090.