

Health Care Needs Policy

1.0 PURPOSE

To ensure that Youth2Industry College provides appropriate support to students with health care needs. To explain to Youth2Industry College parents, carers, staff and students the processes and procedures in place to support students with health care needs at the College.

2.0 SCOPE

This policy applies to:

- All Youth2Industry College staff, including casual relief staff and volunteers
- All Youth2Industry College students who have been diagnosed with a health care need that may require support, monitoring or medication at the College

It will be available on SharePoint and at reception.

3.0 IMPLEMENTATION

This policy should be read in conjunction with Youth2Industry College's QMS:410 First Aid, QMS:411 Medication Management and QMS:407 Anaphylaxis Management policies.

3.1 Student health support planning

In order to provide appropriate support to students at Youth2Industry College who may need medical care or assistance, a **QMS:400-18 Y2IC Student Health Support Plan** will be prepared by the Principal or College First Aid Officer in consultation with the student, their parents/carers and treating medical practitioners. Depending on the health issue, other staff may be consulted including teacher aides.

Student Health Support plans help our school to assist students with:

- Routine health care support needs, such as supervision or provision of medication
- Personal care support needs, such as assistance with personal hygiene, continence care, eating and drinking, transfers and positioning, and use of health-related equipment
- Emergency care needs, such as predictable emergency first aid associated with seizures or diabetes management

At enrolment or when a health care need is identified, it is the parents'/carers' responsibility to provide accurate information about the student's condition or health care needs and to update this information annually. This Student Health Support Plan form must be completed for each student with an identified health care need (not including those with Anaphylaxis or allergic reactions as this is done via an Individual Anaphylaxis Management Plan or an Allergic Reactions Plan and not those with Asthma as this is done via the individual Asthma Care Plan).

Youth2Industry College may invite parents and carers to attend a meeting to discuss the contents of a student’s Health Support Plan and assistance that the student may need at College or during College activities.

Where necessary, Youth2Industry College may also request consent from parents/carers to consult with a student’s medical practitioners, to assist in preparing the plan and ensure that appropriate College staff understand the student’s needs.

Student Health Support Plans will be reviewed:

- When updated information is received from the student’s medical practitioner
- When the College, student or parents and carers have concerns with the support being provided to the student
- If there are changes to the support being provided to the student, or on an annual basis

3.2 Management of confidential medical information

Confidential medical information provided to Youth2Industry College to support a student will be:

- Recorded on the student’s file
- Shared with all relevant staff so that they are able to properly support students diagnosed with medical conditions and respond appropriately if necessary
- Student Health Support Plans and any required medication will be taken on school excursions in which the student participates.

4.0 ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- QMS:408 Asthma Management Policy
- QMS:407 Anaphylaxis Management Policy
- QMS:410 First Aid Policy and Procedure
- QMS:411 Medication Management Procedure
- QMS:400-18 Y2IC Student Health Support Plan

VERSION CONTROL DETAILS

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