**.157 (D) Administration & Storage of Medication**

**Administering & Storing Medication**

All medication prescribed to campers shall be kept in their original containers bearing the pharmacy label, showing the following information:

* Date of filling
* Pharmacy name and address
* Pharmacist’s initials
* Serial number of the prescription
* Name of patient
* Name of the prescribing practitioner
* Name of the prescribed medication
* Direction for use and cautionary statements
* Tablets or capsules with number in the container

All medications prescribed for campers shall be kept in a locked storage cabinet used exclusively for medication. Lock should only be open when a medication is going to be administered. All storage units will be kept in the Isolation Room in the Margot Connell Recreation Center. Medications requiring refrigeration will also be kept in the Isolation Room. All units are to be securely anchored to a solid surface.

Medication will only be administered by the Health Supervisor. The Health Care Consultant will acknowledge in writing a list of all medications administered at the camp.

**Camper Self-Medication**

Campers may be allowed to do the following self-medication:

* If a child is capable of self-medicating using a prescribed Epi-pen or inhaler and the parent/guardian and the camp health care consultant give written approval, the camper may be allowed to carry these devices with him/her at all times in order to self-administer when necessary.
* If a diabetic child requires his/her blood sugar be monitored, or requires insulin injections and the parent/guardian and the camp health care consultant give written approval, the camper, who is capable, may be allowed to self-monitor and/or self-inject him/herself. Blood monitoring activities and self-injection must take place in the presence of the Health Supervisor. The camp must dispose of any hypodermic needles and syringes in accordance with 105 CMR 480.000: Storage and Disposal of Infectious or Physically Dangerous Medical or Biological Waste.

**Returning and/or Destroying Unused Medication**

* + - * At dismissal of camp, parents are required to meet directly with the Health Supervisor to retrieve unused portion of medication.
      * Any medications not picked up by parent/guardian will be destroyed in line with the Department of Public Health policy.
      * All medication will be disposed of by the Health Supervisor by placing medication in a red bag, tied and placed in disposal bin. If there is any doubt on how to dispose of medication the Health Supervisor and Camp Director will contact BC Athletic Training for best practices.
      * At time of destruction/ disposal a witness will log and sign off that medication has been destroyed. The log will be kept on file for three years