



Boroughbridge High School and King James's School Federation

POLICY STATEMENT

Supporting Pupils With Medical Conditions

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Amendments to Section 14 and amendments to Section 15.

Frequency of review dates updated.

Added King James information including School Nurse and where/how records are stored to update this as a Federated Policy.

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Boroughbridge High School and King James's School ('The Federation') welcomes and supports Children and Young People (CYP) with medical and health conditions. We aim to include students with medical conditions in all school activities, including off site visits, differentiated as appropriate. We recognise that some medical conditions may be defined as disabilities and consequently come under the Equality Act 2010.

Section 1: Aims

This policy aims to ensure that:

- Pupils, staff and parents understand how school will support pupils with medical conditions;
- Pupils with medical conditions are properly supported so that they can:
 - play a full and active role in school
 - remain healthy
 - achieve their academic potential
 - access the same opportunities as other pupils including school trips and sporting activities
- Parents and pupils have confidence in the Federation's ability to provide effective support for medical conditions in school.

The governing board will implement this policy by:

- Making sure sufficient staff are suitably trained;
- Making staff aware of pupils' conditions, where appropriate;
- Making sure there are cover arrangements to ensure someone is always available to support pupils with medical conditions;
- Providing supply teachers with appropriate information about the policy and relevant pupils;
- Developing and monitoring Individual Health Care Plans (IHCPs).
- Working collaboratively with NYCC and Health Services

The named person with responsibility for implementing this policy is:

Boroughbridge High School - Associate Assistant Headteacher (Student Experience and Welfare) & Associate Assistant Headteacher (SENCo)

King James's School - Assistant Headteacher, SENCo

Section 2: Legislation and Statutory Responsibility

This policy meets the requirements under [Section 100 of the Children and Families Act 2014](#), which places a duty on governing boards to make arrangements for supporting pupils at their school with medical conditions.

It is also based on the Department for Education's statutory guidance on [Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions at School](#).

It has been written alongside NYCC's Policy & Procedures for supporting children at school with medical conditions and children who cannot attend because of health needs.

Section 3: Planning Ahead

We have a responsibility to plan ahead for CYP with medical conditions who may enroll with the Federation in the future and we do this by:

- Having some staff who have the duties of administering medicines and undertaking health care procedures written into their job descriptions
- Ensuring other staff are aware that they may volunteer to do these duties and that they also have responsibilities in emergency situations
- Having record keeping procedures in place for administering medication
- Having storage facilities in place for medication
- Having identified a suitable area within school for undertaking health care procedures
- Having suitable toileting facilities for students which are clean, safe and pleasant to use
- Having flexible policies which take into account medical conditions e.g. We do not refuse access to the toilet at any time to any student with a medical condition that requires this
- Appointing a member of staff to be the named person for medical needs
- Following nyc's policy & procedures for supporting children at school with medical conditions and children who cannot attend school because of health needs

Section 4: Roles and Responsibilities

The Governing Body

The governing body has ultimate responsibility to make arrangements to support pupils with medical conditions. The governing board will ensure that sufficient staff have received suitable training and are competent before they are responsible for supporting children with medical conditions.

The Headteacher

The Headteacher holds overall responsibility for the following but may delegate some of the responsibilities to:

Boroughbridge High School: **Associate Assistant Headteacher (student experience and welfare), Associate Assistant Headteacher (SENCo) and the Designated First Aider.**

King James's School: **Assistant Headteacher (SENCo) and the School Nurse.**

- Ensure the schools are inclusive and welcoming and that the medical conditions policy is in line with local and national guidance and policy frameworks
- Liaise between interested parties including students, school staff, pastoral support/welfare officers, teaching assistants, Health Services, NYCC, parents and governors
- Ensure information held by the school is accurate and up to date and that there are good information sharing systems in place using Individual Health Care plans.
- Ensure CYP confidentiality
- Make sure all staff are aware of this policy and understand their role in its implementation
- Ensure that there is a sufficient number of trained staff available to implement this policy and deliver against all Individual Health Care Plans (IHCPs), including in contingency and emergency situations
- Ensure that all staff who need to know are aware of a CYP's condition
- Take overall responsibility for the development & monitoring of IHCPs

- Make sure that school staff are appropriately insured and aware that they are insured to support pupils in this way
- Contact the Growing Healthy 0-19 Service for advice, consultation and support for children and families with Emotional Health & Resilience needs
- Ensure that systems are in place for obtaining information about a CYP's medical needs and that this information is kept up to date
- Ensure absences due to medical needs are monitored and alternative arrangements for continuing education are in place
- Check medication held in school half-termly for expiry dates and dispose of accordingly
- Inform parents when supply of medicine needs replenishing / disposing
- Quality assure record keeping
- Work together to quality assure staff competency in specific procedures
- Regularly remind staff of the school medical policy and procedures
- Where a student is open to the Medical Education Service (MES) the Headteacher will:
 - Identify a named school contact to liaise directly with the MES
 - Ensure the named contact arranges regular Pupil Reintegration Education Plan (PREP) meetings in a timely way
 - Ensure the student's teachers liaise directly with the MES & share appropriate resources (laptop/schemes of work/lesson plans etc) prior to provision from the MES starting
 - Arrange an appropriate space in school for the CYP to have provision from the MES
 - Ensure school is in regular contact with the CYP and parent/carer
 - Maintain safeguarding responsibility & identify the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)
 - Enter the CYP for exams & arrange access & invigilation arrangements
 - Make arrangements for EHCARs and EHCP Reviews where appropriate
 - Facilitate career interviews
 - Be active in the monitoring of progress and the reintegration into school, using key staff to facilitate the reintegration into school
 - Support transitions

School Staff

Supporting pupils with medical conditions during school hours is not the sole responsibility of one person. Any member of staff may be asked to provide support to pupils with medical conditions, although they will not be required to do so. This includes the administration of medicines. Those staff who take on the responsibility to support pupils with medical conditions will receive sufficient and suitable training, and will achieve the necessary level of competency before doing so.

Teachers will take into account the needs of pupils with medical conditions that they teach. All staff will know what to do and respond accordingly when they become aware that a pupil with a medical condition needs help. All staff have a responsibility to:

- Be aware of the potential triggers, signs and symptoms of common medical conditions and know what to do in an emergency
- Understand and implement the medical policy
- Know which CYP in their care have a medical condition
- Allow all CYP to have immediate access to their emergency medication

- Maintain effective communication with parents including informing them if their child has been unwell at school
- Ensure CYP who carry their medication with them have it when they go on a school trip or out of the classroom e.g. to the field for PE
- Be aware of CYP with medical conditions who may be experiencing bullying or need extra social support
- Ensure all pupils with medical conditions are not excluded unnecessarily from activities they wish to take part in
- Ensure CYP have the appropriate medication or food with them during any exercise and are allowed to take it when needed.

Teaching staff

Teachers within the Federation have a responsibility to:

- Ensure CYP who have been unwell catch up on missed school work
- Be aware that medical conditions can affect a student's learning and provide extra help when needed
- Liaise with parents, healthcare professionals and special educational needs co-ordinator if a CYP is falling behind with their work because of their condition
- If a child is open to the Medical Education Service (MES) the student's teachers will:
 - Liaise directly with the MES
 - Share schemes of work, lessons plans & resources with the MES in a timely manner prior to the provision starting
 - Moderate & standardise work completed by the student at least once a term

First aiders/School Nurse

First Aiders/School Nurse within the Federation have a responsibility to:

- Give immediate help to casualties with common injuries or illnesses and those arising from specific hazards within the school
- When necessary ensure that an ambulance or other professional medical help is called
- Check the contents of first aid kits and replenish as necessary

We have trained first aiders on site at all times throughout the school day who are aware of the most common serious medical conditions at this school. All PE teachers are first aid trained. Training is refreshed every 3 years

Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo)

The school SENCo has a responsibility to:

- Help update the school's medical condition policy
- Know which students have a medical condition and which have special educational needs because of their condition
- Ensure teachers make the necessary arrangements if a student needs special consideration or access arrangements in exams or coursework
- Where a CYP has SEN but does not have an EHCP, ensure their SEN is mentioned in their IHCP.
- Where the CYP has a SEN identified in an EHCP, ensure the IHCP is linked to or a part of that EHCP.

Parents

Parents will:

- Tell school if their child has / develops a medical condition
- Immediately inform (the school office) in writing if there are any changes to their child's condition or medication.
- Ensure that they/ their emergency representative is contactable at all times.
- Administer medication out of school hours wherever possible
- Undertake health care procedures out of school hours wherever possible
- Ensure they supply school with correctly labelled, in date medication.
- Complete the necessary paperwork e.g. request for administration of medication
- Collect any out of date or unused medicine from school for disposal
- Keep their child at home if they are infectious to other people • Ensure their child catches up on any school work they have missed.
- Ensure their child has regular reviews about their condition with their doctor or specialist healthcare professional
- Be involved in the development and review of their child's IHCP and may be involved in its drafting;
- Carry out any action they have agreed to as part of the implementation of the IHCP, e.g. provide medicines and equipment, and ensure they or another nominated adult are contactable at all times.

Parents who do not provide this support should be aware that we may not be able to fully support their child's medical condition in school.

Pupils

Pupils with medical conditions will often be best placed to provide information about how their condition affects them. Pupils should be fully involved in discussions about their medical support needs and contribute as much as possible to the development of their IHCPs. They are also expected to comply with their IHCPs. Pupils will:

- Treat other pupils with and without a medical condition equally
- Tell their parents, teacher or nearest staff member when they or another CYP is not feeling well. We remind all CYP of this on an annual basis in assembly
- Treat all medication with respect
- Know how to gain access to their medication (includes emergency medication)
- Ensure a member of staff is called in an emergency situation

Section 5: Equal Opportunity

The Federation is clear about the need to actively support CYP with medical conditions to participate in school trips and visits, or in sporting activities, and not prevent them from doing so.

The Federation will consider what reasonable adjustments need to be made to enable these pupils to participate fully and safely on school trips, visits and sporting activities.

Risk assessments will be carried out so that planning arrangements take account of any steps needed to ensure that pupils with medical conditions are included. In doing so, pupils, their parents and any relevant healthcare professionals will be consulted.

Section 6: Being Notified that a Child has a Medical Condition

Notification of a child's medical condition may come via a number of routes e.g. by parents, Healthy Child nurse, admission forms etc.

Whatever the route the Headteacher/Named Person must be informed as soon as possible.

They must then:

- Seek further information about the condition
- Determine with the support of parents and relevant health professional whether an Individual Healthcare Plan is required
- Identify any medication/health care procedures needed
- Identify any aspects of a CYP's care they can manage themselves
- Identify which staff will be involved in supporting the student
- Identify what, if any, training is needed, who will provide this and when
- Identify which staff need to know the details of the student's medical condition and inform them as appropriate
- Ensure parent/s written permission is received for any administration of medication

The Federation will make every effort to ensure that arrangements are put into place within 2 weeks, or by the beginning of the relevant term for pupils who are new to our Federation.

Section 7: Individual Health Care Plans

When a Federation school is notified that a CYP has a medical condition, the process outlined below will be followed to decide whether the pupil requires an IHCP. NB Please note that the IHCP would normally cover

everything that would be covered in a Risk Assessment so it is unlikely that a separate risk assessment would be required.

The Headteacher has overall responsibility for the development of IHCPs for CYP with medical conditions. This has been delegated to the Designated First Aider/School Nurse.

Plans will be reviewed at least annually, or earlier if there is evidence that the pupil's needs have changed. Plans will be kept according to NYCC guidance & the requirements of the UK GDPR.

Plans will be developed with the pupil's best interests in mind and will set out:

- What needs to be done;
- When;
- By whom.

Not all CYP with a medical condition will require an IHCP. It will be agreed with a Health care professional and the parents when an IHCP would be inappropriate or disproportionate. This will be based on evidence. If there is no consensus, the Headteacher will make the final decision. Any decisions made and the reasons for them must be adequately recorded and the information shared with parents unless there is a safeguarding concern.

Plans will be drawn up in partnership with the school, parents and a relevant healthcare professional, such as the school nurse, specialist or paediatrician, who can best advise on the pupil's specific needs. The pupil will be involved wherever appropriate.

IHCPs will be linked to, or become part of, any Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP). If a pupil has SEN but does not have an EHCP, the SEN will be mentioned in the IHCP.

The level of detail in the plan will depend on the complexity of the child's condition and how much support is needed.

The governing board and the Associate Assistant Headteacher (student experience and Welfare) / Assistant Headteacher (SENCo) / School Nurse/ Designated First Aider with responsibility for developing IHCPs, will consider the following when deciding what information to record on IHCPs:

- The medical condition, its triggers, signs, symptoms and treatments ;
- The CYP's resulting needs, including medication (dose, side effects and storage) and other treatments, time, facilities, equipment, testing, access to food and drink where this is used to manage their
- condition, dietary requirements and environmental issues, e.g. crowded corridors, travel time between lessons;
- Specific support for the pupil's educational, social and emotional needs. For example, how absences will be managed, requirements for extra time to complete exams, use of rest periods or additional support in catching up with lessons, counselling sessions ;
- The level of support needed, including in emergencies. If a CYP is self-managing their medication, this will be clearly stated with appropriate arrangements for monitoring;
- Who will provide this support, their training needs, expectations of their role and confirmation of proficiency to provide support for the pupil's medical condition from a healthcare professional, and cover arrangements for when they are unavailable;
- Who in the school needs to be aware of the CYP's condition and the support required;
- Arrangements for written permission from parents and the Headteacher for medication to be administered by a member of staff, or self-administered by the pupil during school hours;
- Separate arrangements or procedures required for school trips or other school activities outside of the normal school timetable that will ensure the pupil can participate, e.g. risk assessments ;

- Where confidentiality issues are raised by the parent/pupil, the designated individuals to be entrusted with information about the pupil's condition;
- What to do in an emergency, including who to contact, and contingency arrangements .

Where applicable the school will send completed and signed Individual Health Care Plans electronically to: insurance@northyorks.gov.uk this includes Individual Health Care plans detailed using the NYCC template or any other format.

Section 8: Managing Medicines

Administration of Medication at School

Wherever possible we allow CYP to carry their own medicines and relevant devices and where they self administer we will provide supervision as appropriate

- The school will only administer medication at school when it is essential to do so and where not to do so would be detrimental to a pupil's health.
- The school will only accept medication that has been prescribed by a doctor, dentist, nurse prescriber or pharmacist prescriber and are in-date, labelled and provided in the original container, as dispensed by the pharmacist, and include instructions for administration, dosage and storage
- The school will accept insulin that is inside an insulin pen or pump rather than its original container, but it must be in date.
- Non-prescribed medication can only be administered in a school/setting where it is absolutely essential to the child's health and where it cannot be taken out of the schools/settings hours.
- Non-prescribed medicine will only be administered where a prior written parental consent form has been received by the school and a record of administration form will be kept.
- The school will ensure they treat non-prescribed medication the same as if it were prescribed i.e. checking the packaging, expiry date, dosage, administration instructions, correct storage etc.
- Non-prescribed medication must be provided by the parents and will be kept in a secure cabinet in the medical room. The schools will not routinely hold their own stocks of medication.
- The school will stock spare AAls and salbutamol inhalers for use only in the event of an emergency, a register of pupils whose parent/s have completed a consent form is kept.
- Homeopathic or herbal medicines will not be accepted and administered by school
- The school will not give Aspirin to any CYP under 16 unless it is prescribed
- The school only give medication when we have written parental permission to do so.
- Where CYP are able to carry and administer their own medication, written permission is sought and a self-administration form is completed.
- Medication not carried by CYP is stored in a secure cabinet in the medical room.
- Controlled drugs are stored in a secure cabinet in the medical room
- Pupils who do not carry and administer their own medication know where it is stored and how to readily access it.

Administration of medication - general

- All staff are aware that there is no legal or contractual duty for any member of staff to administer medication or supervise a CYP taking medication unless they have been specifically contracted to do so or it is in their job description.

- For medication where no specific training is necessary, any member of staff may administer prescribed and non-prescribed medication to CYP but only with a parent's written consent.
- Some medicines require staff to receive specific training on how to administer it from a registered health professional. The Federation will ensure that the relevant staff receive the specific training required to administer such medicines.

CYP who can manage their own needs

The Federation encourages all CYP to manage as much of their own needs as is appropriate. The Headteacher/named person will determine after discussion with parents whether a pupil is competent to manage their own medicine and procedures. Where a pupil has been recently diagnosed, or has an additional disability/condition e.g. visual impairment, we support them to gradually take on more of their own care, over time, as appropriate with the aim of them becoming as independent as possible.

The Federation aims for the pupil to feel confident in the support they receive from us to help them do this.

Safe storage – general

- The Designated First Aider/School Nurse ensures the correct storage of medication at school
- The Designated First Aider/ School Nurse ensures the expiry dates for all medication stored at school are checked termly and informs parents by letter in advance of the medication expiring.
- Some medications need to be refrigerated. These are stored in a clearly labelled airtight container in the fridge located in the school medical room. This area is inaccessible to unsupervised pupils.
- Pupils will be informed about where their medicines are at all times and be able to access them immediately.
- Medicines and devices such as asthma inhalers, blood glucose testing meters and adrenaline pens will always be readily available to pupils and not locked away.
- Medicines will be returned to parents to arrange for safe disposal when no longer required.

Safe disposal

- Parents are asked to collect out of date medication.
- If parents do not collect out of date medication, it is taken to a local pharmacy for safe disposal.
- Disposal of medication is recorded on the administration of medication record.

Section 9: School Trips

Staff organising Federation school trips ensure:

- They plan well in advance
- They seek information about any medical / health care needs which may require management during a school trip. This is specifically relevant for residential visits when a cyp may require medication/procedures that they would not normally require during the daytime
- That any medication, equipment, health care plans are taken with them and kept appropriately during the trip
- They do a risk assessment which includes how medical conditions will be managed in the trip. Staff are aware that some pupils may require an individual risk assessment due to the nature of their medical condition

Section 10: Unacceptable Practice

Federation staff use their discretion about individual cases and refer to a pupil's Individual Healthcare Plan, where they have one, however; it is not generally acceptable to:

- Prevent CYP from accessing their inhalers or other medication
- Assume every pupil with the same condition requires the same treatment
- Ignore the views of the CYP and their parents
- Ignore medical evidence or opinion although this may be challenged
- Send pupils with medical conditions home frequently or prevent them from staying for normal school activities e.g. lunch unless it is specified in the pupil's Individual Healthcare Plan
- Send an ill pupil to the school office or medical room without a suitable person to accompany them • Penalise CYP for their attendance record if their absences relate to their medical condition e.g. hospital appointments
- Prevent pupils from drinking, eating or taking toilet breaks whenever they need in order to manage their medical condition
- Require parents, or otherwise make them feel obliged to come into school to provide medical support to their child, including toileting issues and manual handling issues
- Prevent pupils from participating, or create unnecessary barriers to children participating in any aspect of school life, including school trips e.g. by requiring the parent to accompany the pupil.

Section 11: Emergency Procedures

The Federation is aware that certain medical conditions are serious and can be potentially life- threatening, particularly if ill managed or misunderstood.

The Federation has procedures in place for dealing with emergencies and all staff know they have a duty to take swift action. The Designated First Aider/School Nurse ensures that all staff feel confident in knowing what to do in an emergency. Details of how to call an ambulance are kept by the phone at the schools' office and in the medical room. This procedure is revisited termly at whole school staff meetings.

If a CYP needs to be taken to hospital, an ambulance will be called and, if parents are not available, a member of staff will accompany and the school will phone the parent/s to meet the ambulance at casualty. The member of staff will stay with the pupil until a parent arrives. Health professionals are responsible for any decisions on medical treatment in the absence of a parent.

Staff will not take a pupil to hospital in their own car unless it is an absolute necessity.

Staff will follow the school's normal emergency procedures (for example, calling 999). All pupils' IHCPs will clearly set out what constitutes an emergency and will explain what to do.

Section 12: Training

Staff who support pupils with specific medical conditions must receive additional training from a registered health professional. Training requirements are determined via Individual Health Care plans. The Designated First Aider/School Nurse is responsible for ensuring staff are suitably trained by liaising with the relevant healthcare professional. Any member of staff who is trained but feels unable to carry out these duties competently (for example due to having an injury/condition themselves or due to further training being required) must report this

as soon as possible to the Associate Assistant Headteacher (student experience and welfare) / Assistant Headteacher (SENCo) who will make appropriate arrangements.

The Designated First Aider/School Nurse keeps a training record and ensures training is refreshed as appropriate. The Headteacher is involved in determining the competency of a member of staff in undertaking specific procedures.

Staff who complete records are shown by the Designated First Aider/School Nurse how these are to be completed and managed. The Associate Assistant Headteacher (student experience and welfare) / Assistant Headteacher (SENCo) personally quality ensures this on a continuous basis.

Arrangements for induction of new staff are included in the safeguarding section of the induction programme.

Staff must not give prescription medicines or undertake healthcare procedures without appropriate training. In some cases written instructions from the parent or on the medication container dispensed by the pharmacist is sufficient and the Designated First Aider/School Nurse will determine this.

Whole school staff awareness training

The Federation aims for all staff to receive basic awareness training in the following more common conditions:

- asthma
- epilepsy
- allergic reaction

This training is delivered annually by online providers. This is supported by having information about these conditions located in prominent locations within school (i.e. medical room, reception area and PE office).

Section 13: Record Keeping

The governing board will ensure that written records are kept of all medicine administered to pupils for as long as these pupils are at the school. Parents will be informed if their CYP has been unwell at school.

The following records are kept in each school:

Name of record	Location of record	Who completes it	Who quality assures it & how often
Whole school administration of medication record	Locked in the filing cabinet in the medical room KJS: CPOMS	BHS: Designated First Aider KJS: School Nurse	BHS: Associate Assistant Head & SENCo) KJS: Assistant Headteacher SENCo) Reviewed: Annually
Individual administration of medication record - for pupils who have frequent & regular medication	Locked in the filing cabinet in the medical room KJS: CPOMS	BHS: Designated First Aider KJS: School Nurse	BHS: Associate Assistant Head & SENCo) KJS: Assistant Headteacher SENCo) Reviewed: Annually
Staff training log – including first aid	Displayed on the wall in the medical room and reception	BHS: Designated First Aider KJS: School Nurse	BHS: Associate Assistant Head & SENCo) KJS: Assistant Headteacher SENCo) Reviewed: Annually
School Medical Register	Locked in the filing cabinet in the medical room	BHS: Designated First Aider KJS: School Nurse	BHS: Associate Assistant Head & SENCo) KJS: Assistant Headteacher SENCo) Reviewed: Annually

All these records will be kept securely and in accordance with NYCCs Records Retention and Disposal Schedule & the requirements of the UK GDPR. All electronic records will be password protected.

Enrolment forms

We ask on our enrolment form if a pupil has any medical /health conditions and again at regular times

School Medical register

We keep a centralised register of pupils with medical needs. The Designated First Aider/School Nurse has responsibility for keeping the register up to date.

Section 14: Asthma

- Pupils who have asthma will not have an IHCP unless their condition is severe or complicated with further medical conditions. KJS students with asthma all have an asthma card.
- Federation staff are aware that, although it is a relatively common condition, asthma can develop into a life-threatening situation.
- The Federation has a generic asthma plan in place in each school which detail how asthma attacks are managed. This plan is displayed in prominent locations within school (i.e. medical room, PE office, and in school trip first aid boxes)
- Pupils who have asthma will not have an Individual Healthcare Plan unless their condition is severe or complicated with further medical conditions.
- The Headteacher and Governing body have chosen to keep emergency Salbutamol inhalers and spacers in school for use by pupils who have a diagnosis of asthma and whose parent/s have given us written permission for their CYP to use it. This would be in rare circumstances where an inhaler has become lost or unusable. Parents are informed by standard letter if their child has used the school's emergency inhaler.
- The Designated First Aider/School Nurse is responsible for managing the stock of the emergency school Salbutamol inhalers.
- The emergency salbutamol inhalers will be kept in the medical room along with a register of pupils whose parent/s has given permission for these to be used as appropriate.
- The Designated First Aider/School Nurse is responsible for ensuring the emergency inhalers and spacers are washed as necessary.

Section 15: The School Defibrillator

As part of our first aid equipment the schools each have access to a defibrillator which is kept on school site. Our local NHS ambulance service are aware of this. The school defibrillator should be checked weekly (battery check) and needs to be logged accordingly.

Section 16: Data Protection

The Federation will only share information about a pupil's medical condition with those staff who have a role to play in supporting that child's needs. In some cases e.g. allergic reactions it may be appropriate for the whole school to be aware of the needs. In other cases e.g. toileting issues, only certain staff involved need to be aware. The schools will ensure we have written parental permission to share any medical information.

The Federation, as a data controller, have a number of obligations under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018. In order to meet the principles laid out in the legislation, the school provides a Parents and Pupils privacy notice that details the special category data (including health data) that is recorded and processed; the lawful basis for doing so and who that data may be shared with. This privacy notice is available on the individual school websites or a copy can be requested via the school offices.

An information governance framework is in place which includes an Information Policy that details the life cycle and management of all data assets. As part of this policy the school ensures the regular and appropriate data protection training of all its staff.

Section 17: School Environment

We will ensure that we make reasonable adjustments for pupil with medical conditions. This includes the physical environment, as well as social, sporting and educational activities.

Section 18: Physical Environment

The Federation will have an accessibility plan which outlines how we aim to develop our facilities and staffing to meet potential future health care needs e.g. improved physical access, improved toilet facilities.

Section 19: Education and Learning

The Federation ensures that CYP with medical conditions can participate as fully as possible in all aspects of the curriculum and ensure appropriate adjustments and extra support are provided.

Teachers and support staff are made aware of pupils in their care who have been advised to avoid or take special precautions with particular activities.

The Federation ensures teachers and PE staff are aware of the potential triggers for pupils' medical conditions when exercising and how to minimise these triggers.

Staff are aware of the potential for CYP with medical conditions to have special educational needs (SEN). The schools' SEN coordinator consults the pupil, parents and pupil's healthcare professional to ensure the effect of the pupil's condition on their schoolwork is properly considered.

Section 20: Home to School Transport

Parents are responsible for informing SEN transport or Integrated Passenger transport if their child has a medical need that they may require assistance with during the journey to and from school.

Section 21: Dignity and Privacy

At all times we aim to respect the dignity and privacy of all pupils with medical conditions we do this by only sharing information with those who have a role in directly supporting the pupil's needs.

Section 22: Liability and Indemnity

The governing board will ensure that the appropriate level of insurance is in place and appropriately reflects the school's level of risk.

The Federation is a member of The Department for Education's risk protection arrangement (RPA), a voluntary arrangement for academies, free schools and local authority maintained schools. This is an alternative to insurance through which the cost of risks that materialise will be covered by government funds. The cover provides unlimited Employers liability, third party public liability, professional indemnity and the reinstatement value of any property damage. The Federation's insurance policies will provide liability cover relating to the administration of medication, but individual cover may need to be arranged for any health care procedures. The level and ambit of cover required must be ascertained by the relevant insurers. Any requirements of the insurance such as the need for staff to be trained is be made clear and complied with. The Headteacher is responsible for

ensuring staff are insured to carry out health care procedures and administer medication. A copy of this insurance policy can be requested from school.

In the event of a claim alleging negligence by a member of staff, civil actions are likely to be brought against the employer.

Section 23: Complaints

Parents with a complaint about their child's medical condition should discuss these directly with:

Boroughbridge High School: **Associate Assistant Headteacher (student experience and welfare) or the Associate Assistant Headteacher (SENCo).**

King James's School: **Assistant Headteacher (SENCo)**

If the none of the above can resolve the matter, they will direct parents to the schools' complaints procedure. For details on how to make a complaint around medical issues in school please follow our school complaints procedure available from the school website at www.boroughbridgehigh.com or www.king-james.co.uk

Section 24: Monitoring Arrangements

This policy will be reviewed and approved by the governing board annually.

Section 25: Distribution of the School Medical Policy

Parents are informed about this school medical policy:

- Via the school's website, where it is available all year round
- School staff are informed and reminded about this policy:
- Via online school medical register
- At scheduled medical conditions training / school training days
- whole school staff meetings

Governing Bodies should review this policy annually.

Section 26: Links to Other Policies

This policy links to the following policies:

- Safeguarding and Child Protection
- Health & Safety
- Educational Visits, Outdoor Learning & Adventurous Activities Policy
- SEND Policy

Appendix 1: Being Notified a child has a medical condition.

