



May 29, 2026,

Dear Child Care Providers,

On April 14, 2025, Governor Jim Pillen signed LB457 into law which requires child care programs licensed under the Child Care Licensing Act that care for a child with a known food or other allergy, to publish in the parent handbook, program manual, or other similar publication, which states the program's anaphylaxis response policies, procedures, and standards. This law impacts licensed Family Child Care Homes I and II, Child Care Centers, School Age Only Centers, and Preschools.

Starting July 1, 2026, as stated in 71-1913.04 and 71-1965:

- A child care program licensed under the Child Care Licensing Act that cares for a child with a known food or other allergy will be required to create an anaphylaxis response policy which sets forth the procedures and standards of the program, and which is included in the program's parent handbook, program manual, or other similar publication.
- In consultation with the Department of Education and with input from representatives of allergy medicine, pediatric physicians, parents of children with severe allergies, and other appropriate entities, DHHS has developed a model anaphylaxis policy available for use by child care programs setting forth guidelines and procedures to be followed for the prevention of anaphylaxis and during a medical emergency resulting from anaphylaxis:
The model anaphylaxis policy can be found at the following link:
[Anaphylaxis Response Policy Guidance Document](#)
- At all initial and unannounced inspections of a licensed child care program, as performed by Children's Services Licensing, licensees that care for a child with a known food or other allergy will be required to show proof of anaphylaxis response policy as part of the program's parent handbook, program manual, or other similar publication.

If you have questions about these requirements, please contact the Division of Public Health, Licensure Unit, at 800-600-1289 or by e-mail at DHHS.ChildCareLicensing@nebraska.gov.

Thank you for your ongoing service to the children and families of Nebraska.

Sincerely,

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