



Preston Neighbourhood House Inc.

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ASTHMA FRIENDLY SCHOOLS

Dear Parents,

Re: The Preston Neighbourhood House Asthma Action Plan.

We are pleased to inform you that this centre takes its responsibilities to children with asthma very seriously.

We understand that your child..... has asthma. Asthma is a condition that can be serious and may require emergency treatment while at school. It is important therefore, to have up to date information about the management of your child's asthma.

Attached to this letter is an Asthma Action Plan that we request you complete (in consultation with and signed by your child's Medical Practitioner).

The attached Asthma Action Plan outlines the Preston Neighbourhood House's Asthma Policy for Emergency Treatment of an Asthma Attack. If, however, your child's emergency treatment differs from this, there is space on the plan for a preferred treatment, but this **must be signed by a qualified, practising Medical Practitioner**. This management form should be updated annually or whenever the student's asthma or asthma medications change significantly.

If there is no Asthma Action Plan provided by you for your child's asthma management, the centre staff will use the standard asthma first aid as detailed in the Preston Neighbourhood House Asthma Policy if your child has been known to have asthma or is having difficulty breathing.

The centre also reserves the right to call an ambulance for any child they consider to be having an asthma attack or if a child is having difficulty breathing. Please ensure your child is covered by ambulance cover if you do not have a health care card.

For further information about asthma management contact Asthma Victoria on 9326 7088 or toll free number 1800 645 130 or www.asthma.org.au.

Please help us to responsibly care for your child while at this child care centre by completing and returning the attached plan as soon as possible. If you have any queries regarding this please don't hesitate to contact June Heron (Child Care Supervisor) or Chris Lombardo our Office Manager

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Niel Gidman
Manager.