

# Review your enrolment policies and procedures

A suggestion for implementing the strategy

'Develop and implement health and safety policies and procedures' from the Guide:

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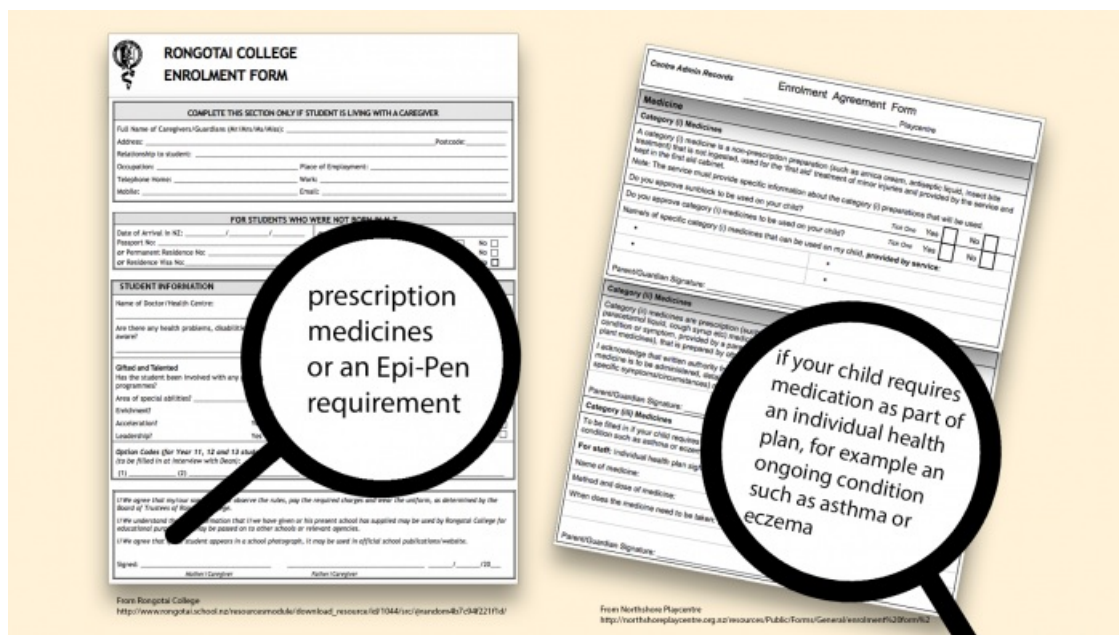
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## Obtain medical information



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At enrolment, request and file children's and young people's allergy and/or anaphylaxis action plans. Learners with allergies may also have asthma.

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# Identify learners with allergies

Supplementary questions added to a standard medical form can result in effective identification and support for learners with allergies.

- ✓ Does your child or young person have an ASCIA anaphylaxis or allergic reaction action plan?
- ✓ Has your child previously had anaphylaxis?
- ✓ Does your child have an EpiPen?
- ✓ Has your child been prescribed any medication for allergies by their doctor? Explain the dosage and how to administer it.
- ✓ Have you provided written consent to administer medication as required?
- ✓ What causes your child to have an allergic reaction (for example, eating specific foods, skin contact with allergens, inhaling allergens)?
- ✓ How does your child react to specific triggers, (for example, with a rash, wheezing, coughing, or sneezing)?

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## Ease anxiety

Parents may be worried about the safety of their child, especially if they are at risk of anaphylaxis.

Provide support during the enrolment process.

- ✓ Follow-up on a child or young person's enrolment information.
- ✓ Organise a meeting with parents to discuss their and their child's individual needs.
- ✓ Discuss risk minimisation strategies and develop a health-care plan. When the young person at risk is at high school, they will usually be included in this discussion.
- ✓ Explain health and safety policies and procedures for managing allergies.

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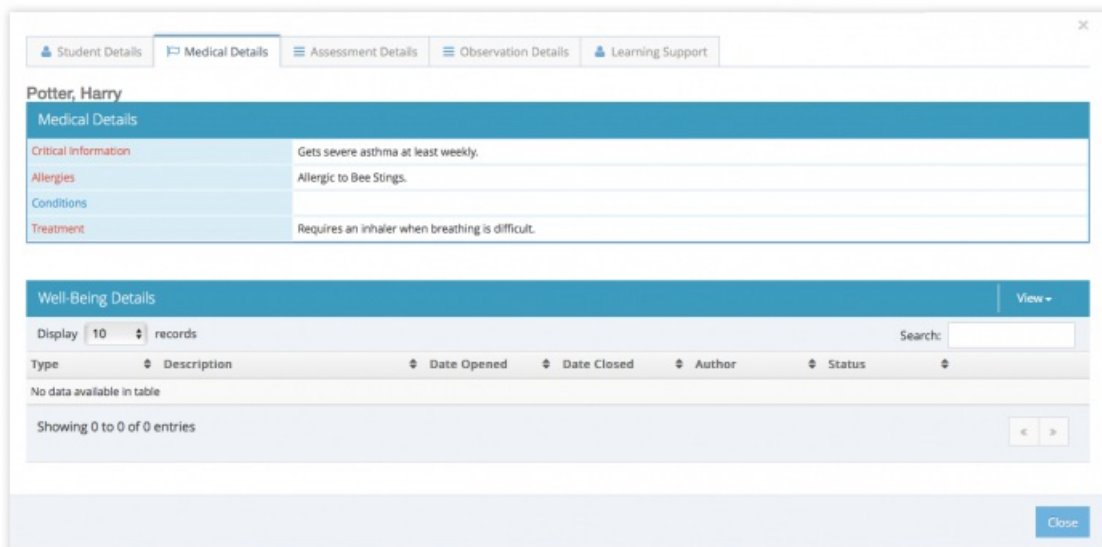
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# Use your SMS



The screenshot shows a web interface for a student record. At the top, there are tabs for 'Student Details', 'Medical Details', 'Assessment Details', 'Observation Details', and 'Learning Support'. The 'Medical Details' tab is active. Below the tabs, the student's name 'Potter, Harry' is displayed. The 'Medical Details' section is expanded, showing a table with the following information:

Category	Description
Critical Information	Gets severe asthma at least weekly.
Allergies	Allergic to Bee Stings.
Conditions	
Treatment	Requires an inhaler when breathing is difficult.

Below the medical details, there is a 'Well-Being Details' section with a 'View -' button. This section includes a search bar and a table with columns for 'Type', 'Description', 'Date Opened', 'Date Closed', 'Author', and 'Status'. The table is currently empty, displaying 'No data available in table' and 'Showing 0 to 0 of 0 entries'. A 'Close' button is located at the bottom right of the interface.

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## Useful resources



### Anaphylaxis fact sheet for parents of children at risk of anaphylaxis

This fact sheet outlines the roles and responsibilities of schools and families in supporting children at risk of anaphylaxis. It can be used to support the enrolment process.

Publisher: Australasian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy

[Visit website](#)



### Allergy tips for school children

This guide lists 10 procedures to follow when enrolling students with severe allergies.

Publisher: Health Navigator New Zealand

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### Examples of risk minimisation strategies for schools, preschools and childcare services

Read time: 12 min

This is a practical list of issues to be considered when developing policies and processes for dealing with allergies.

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