

IUP Health Service Allergy Clinic Agreement

Students Receiving Allergy Injections at IUP Health Service

- All patients shall have their initial (very first) allergy injection at their allergist or at their private physician with documentation provided to the Health Service.
- Allergy injections will only be given during posted clinic hours by appointment only.
- There will be an initial exam fee of \$10 as well as \$5 per injection fee for the semester. Allergy patients must also pay a Wellness Fee to be eligible for this clinic.
- **A medical provider must be present in the building when you receive your allergy shot.**
- Each student is responsible for maintaining his or her supply of serum/medication and safe transportation of the serum/medication from their home or allergist's office to the HS. It is also the student's responsibility to order new vials when necessary. It is necessary for the Allergy Nurse to have written instructions when a patient is late for an injection.
- If student experiences an allergic reaction from their injection and is treated with Epinephrine, they will be transported to the Emergency Room by ambulance for further evaluation.
- Each student will sign this agreement each semester prior to starting in the clinic. You will receive a copy of the agreement if requested. All students are expected to comply with all policies to receive their injections at the health center.

ALLERGY INJECTIONS Your allergy injection is a specific vaccine that builds an immune blocking response to your allergen. It is important that you receive the injection(s) at regular intervals to control the allergy and avoid a reaction. Even if injection(s) are given a few days late, you may have a serious and sometimes even fatal reaction to the antigen. The allergist has set up the schedule and dosage specifically for you. It is to your benefit to be on time for the injections. The Health Service staff cannot be responsible for adjusting dosages. This must be done by the allergist.

You must wait in the clinic at least 30 minutes following your injection(s) or as directed by allergist. This is necessary to monitor any reactions you may develop. Some students will develop a delayed reaction, possibly an hour or two after receiving the injection. If this happens, it is very important that you return to the Health Service or go to IRMC-ER to have this reaction checked and recorded. If you are not able to wait 30 minutes following the injection, the allergy nurse will refuse to give the injection. In the event you develop a severe reaction and the Health Service is closed, dial 911 (9-911 if on campus) for ambulance transportation to Indiana Regional Medical Center.

Reactions can occur in two forms:

LOCAL---Redness, wheals, and itchiness, at site of injection(s). Local reaction is usually corrected by repeating or decreasing the dosage as specified by the allergist.

SYSTEMIC---Trouble breathing, wheezing, faintness, facial swelling, and body rashes. The systemic reaction is an emergency and requires possible adrenaline, oxygen and the attention of a medical provider.

STUDENT NAME: _____

Banner ID # _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____