



FIRST AID POLICY

PURPOSE

To ensure the school community understands our school's approach to first aid for students.

SCOPE

First aid for anaphylaxis [and asthma] [is/are] provided for in our school's:

- *Anaphylaxis Policy*
- *Asthma Policy*

POLICY

From time to time Kerang Technical High School staff might need to administer first aid to students at school or school activities.

Parents/carers should be aware that the goal of first aid is not to diagnose or treat a condition.

Staffing

The principal will ensure that Kerang Technical High School has sufficient staff with the appropriate levels of first aid training to meet the first aid needs of the school community.

- a recognised first aid training course that meets the requirements of Provide First Aid - HLTAID003 and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) - HLTAID001

- basic First Aid training (HLTAID003) must be completed every three years, while a refresher course in CPR (HLTAID001) must be completed annually.

Kerang Technical High School trained first aid officers are:

HLTAID004 Provide an emergency first aid response in an education and care setting	Expires: 4/11/2022	Zoe Ferrier	Nathan Henry	Tessa Demaria
		Dean Rogers	Dean Smith	Jaryd Wishart
		Julie Pearce	Jonathon Roberts	Paul Robinson
		Anna Mason	Krystal Grills	Dale Hall
		Tlarnee Lake	Jessica Demaria	
HLTAID004 Provide an emergency first aid response in an education and care setting	Expires: 16/03/2023	Ian McClay		
HLTAID003 Provide first aid	Expires: 22/11/2021	Debra Cottrell	Robyn Cocking	
HLTAID003 Provide first aid	Expires: 14/10/2021	Belinda Batchelor		

First aid kits

Kerang Technical High School will maintain:

- A major first aid kit which will be stored in the Sick Bay
- Kerang Technical High School needs at least 3 portable first aid kit/s which may be used for excursions, camps, or yard duty. The portable first aid kits/ will be stored:
 - General Office

Debra Cottrell will be responsible for maintaining all first aid kits and will review after every excursion.

Care for ill students

Students who are unwell should not attend school.

If a student becomes unwell during the school day they may be directed to the sick bay and monitored by staff. Depending on the nature of their symptoms, staff may contact parents/carers or an emergency contact person to ask them to collect the student.

First aid management

If there is a situation or incident which occurs at school or a school activity which requires first aid to be administered to a student:

- Staff who have been trained in first aid will administer first aid in accordance with their training. In an emergency situation, other staff may assist in the administration of first aid within their level of competence.
- In a medical emergency, staff may take emergency action and do not need to obtain parent/carer consent to do so. Staff may contact Triple Zero "000" for emergency medical services at any time.
- Staff may also contact NURSE-ON-CALL (on 1300 60 60 24) in an emergency. NURSE-ON-CALL provides immediate, expert health advice from a registered nurse and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- If first aid is administered for a minor injury or condition, Kerang Technical High School will notify parents/carers by a phone call or XUNO message.
- If first aid is administered for a serious injury or condition, or in an emergency situation, school staff will attempt to contact parents/carers or emergency contacts as soon as reasonably practical.
- If staff providing first aid determine that an emergency response is not required but that medical advice is needed, school staff will ask parents/carers, or an emergency contact person, to collect the student and recommend that advice is sought from a medical practitioner.
- Kerang Technical High School will not store or administer painkillers such as aspirin and paracetamol as a standard first aid strategy as they can mask signs and symptoms of serious illness or injury

- Whenever first aid treatment has been administered to a student Kerang Technical High School will:
 - record the incident on CASES21
 - if first aid was administered in a medical emergency, report the incident to the Department's Security Services Unit on 03 9859 6266.

In accordance with guidance from the Department of Education and Training, analgesics, including paracetamol and aspirin, will not be stored at school or provided as a standard first aid treatments. This is because they can mask signs of serious illness or injury.

This policy must be read with your school's *Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Health Care Needs and Medication* policies.

REVIEW CYCLE

This policy was last updated in August 2020 and is scheduled for review in May, 2023