

## Adelaide Miethke Kindergarten

## **Asthma Management Procedures**

Please note - This policy covers both the **Occasional Care** and **Kindergarten** programs.

As per the Asthma Foundation SA and Department for Education & Child Development guidelines <u>ALL</u> children enrolled at this service that have asthma (even if only 'mild' or 'occasional') need to have an asthma care plan completed and signed by their treating doctor and a copy given to the centre.

Asthma care plans are available from the centre staff or your child's doctor.

Staff are also required to complete a SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN and a HEALTH SUPPORT AGREEMENT together with the family. These are Department for Education forms and will be provided by staff.

Children with asthma must have their own medication (complete with pharmacy label) and spacer with them each time they attend. We encourage parents to provide medication and spacer that can be stored at the kindergarten while that child is enrolled. Parents/caregivers should give the child's medication to the staff person responsible for receiving medications for it to be stored in the medications cupboard.

Parents/caregivers should ensure that they check the expiry date on any medications left at kindergarten.

Staff are trained to administer reliever medication in the event of an asthma attack at the kindergarten according to the child's asthma care plan &/or asthma emergency protocols.

The kindergarten does have reliever medication onsite for use in emergency situations.

Approved Governing Council:

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