

Dear Anaphylaxis Canada,

In response to your election questionnaire, the NDP would be pleased to discuss more fully the issues you have raised after the election and are committed to further study and consultation on these matters.

With respect to making B.C.'s schools safe for children with severe allergies, please be advised that the NDP advocated a much stronger approach than the current BC Liberal government. In the 2007 Legislative Session, the NDP introduced a Private Members' Bill - Bill M 210 — 2007, Anaphylactic Student Protection Act, 2007.

The bill would have required every school board to establish and maintain an anaphylactic policy setting out risk reduction strategies, a communications plan and a mandatory regular training program, and would have required every school principal to maintain a file and individual plan for each anaphylactic student. It also would have enabled school board employees to administer or supervise student administration of medication in response to an anaphylactic reaction.

Again, we are committed to further exploring ways to ensure children with allergies are safe in both schools and child care centres in B.C.

Regards,

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