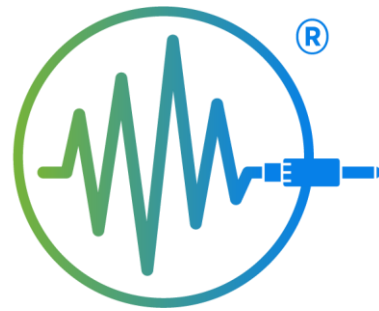


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Diabetes Policy

1. Policy Statement

- The Lisa Lashes School of Music is an inclusive community that aims to support pupils with diabetes.
- We recognise that diabetes is a long-term medical condition where the amount of glucose in the blood is too high because the body is unable to use it properly.
- The Lisa Lashes School of Music is aware that diabetic pupils need immediate access to their medicine, monitoring devices and hypo packs all times and therefore appropriate steps are taken to ensure easy access to these items.
- All our tutors are aware of what to do if a diabetic pupil becomes unwell.
- Tutors understand that pupils with diabetes may be embarrassed about their condition and may suffer bullying because of it. Procedures are in place to prevent this.

2. Diabetes Medication

2.1. Storage

- It may be necessary for insulin to be stored in a fridge. Therefore, the school will ensure that diabetic pupils and staff have easy access to a controlled medical fridge specifically for this purpose.
- Pupils are advised to always carry their insulin with them, within appropriate storage devices.

2.2 Administration

- In most cases Diabetic Pupils will administer their own medication.
- Medication only to be given to person named on prescription.

2.3 Off Site

- Diabetes should not prevent a pupil from going on school trips. Careful planning is essential, and the lead tutor should liaise with the head teacher or safeguarding lead prior to any trip.
- The lead tutor must ensure that they have completed a Risk Assessment before any pupil is taken off site.
- Each Diabetic pupil should only leave the school site once the lead tutor has accessed and retained a copy of their individual care plan and has checked that all control measures are in place (e.g., medications, blood glucose monitoring equipment etc)

2.4 Supplies

- Pupils are advised to ensure they have adequate supplies of their medication. It is the pupil's responsibility to ensure their insulin is in date. The Lisa Lashes School of Music advises carers and parents to check the medication, and to not leave long term medicine at the school if the date has passed. The Lisa Lashes School of Music have first aiders who can administrate medicine once the medicine document/log has been completed.

2.5 Record Keeping and Care Planning

- When a pupil starts at The Lisa Lashes School of Music, a diagnosis of diabetes is usually identified on the Personal Care Plan form, which is completed by themselves or a parent/guardian during the induction. It is important that the school informed of any changes to their care.

2.6 Care Plan

- A care plan is devised and agreed, then available for tutors to access as necessary.
- The Individual Care plan should describe the responsibility of all parties, address the pupil's specific needs and provide clear instructions for ongoing and emergency care.
- It should be regularly reviewed and updated.

2.7 Lessons and Activities

- Pupils are encouraged to manage their diabetes to enable them to be involved in all lessons and activities.
- Pupils must have access to medication and hypo packs during times of activity. It is the responsibility of the Head Teacher to ensure that this is in place.
- Tutors should all know of any diabetic pupils that they teach and should ensure that they have a working knowledge of their care plans.

2.8 School Tutors

All school tutors have a responsibility to:

- Understand the Lisa Lashes School of Music Diabetes Policy.
- Know which pupils they encounter have Diabetes.
- Know what to do should a diabetic pupil become unwell.
- Allow pupils with diabetes immediate access to their required medication/treatment.
- Inform a first aider immediately if a pupil is unwell.
- Ensure diabetic pupils have their medication/treatment with them.
- Look out and report any episodes of bullying.

2.9 Pupils

Pupils have a responsibility to:

- Treat other pupils with and without diabetes equally.
- Let any diabetic pupils with symptoms use their medication and ensure a member of staff is informed when the pupil is not well.
- Treat all medication with respect.
- Know how and when to take their diabetes medication.
- Ensure that a first aider, tutor or safeguarding lead is contacted if someone with diabetes becomes unwell.

<https://www.diabetes.org.uk/Guide-to-diabetes/Schools/Diabetes-in-schools-legalinformation/>
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