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## **Benedict's Law Statement**

ISS Education welcomes the introduction of Benedict's Law and the additional measures that are being put in place to protect pupils with allergies, including food allergies. ISS Education will support schools in implementing their whole school allergy policy and will work in partnership to ensure the safeguarding of pupils with allergies as part of our food service.

Our catering teams already receive comprehensive allergy awareness training as part of their food safety training programme. If your school allergy policy identifies that additional whole school allergy awareness training is required, ISS will work with the school to ensure that ISS Placemakers can complete your training at the required frequency.

Our Placemakers have not been trained on the use of autoinjectors as it is anticipated that school staff who are responsible for the supervision of children, will take the lead in an emergency. Our teams have however already been trained to raise the alarm to school staff, if a child develops symptoms of an allergic reaction.

In respect of the identification of pupils with food allergies, ISS expects schools to implement a lanyard system as one of their methods of identifying pupils with a food hypersensitivity or other medical dietary requirement. The lanyards must be robustly managed by the school, to ensure that pupils wear them during food service. Lanyards should not be the same colour as the school uniform and must be clearly visible.

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