



Dear Parent or Guardian:

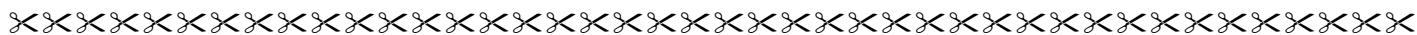
As you may have learned from media reports, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is making potassium iodine (KI) pills available free of charge to people who live, work or attend school within a ten-mile radius of a nuclear facility. KI ("kay-eye") is approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for use in providing an extra layer of protection against thyroid disease, including thyroid cancer, in the event of a release of radioactive iodine. Taken at the time of or within the first few hours following a radiological release, KI will protect the thyroid gland, which is located in the front of the neck. The best protective action in a radiation emergency is evacuation.

Should such an emergency occur, the media would broadcast official recommendations to the public for protective actions including the possible use of KI. Most importantly, KI tablets will be available at school should a recommendation to take KI occurs while school is in session. Distribution through the school system is being given high priority for the reason that children are much more sensitive to the ill effects of radioactive iodine than are adults. **KI should NOT be taken by anyone who is allergic to iodine.**

If you have any questions or need more information regarding the school's participation in the program or the consent form, please contact one of the following Central Valley School District nurses.

- Barb Magnotta
 - Center Grange at 724-775-8201 ext. 12011
 - Todd Lane at 724-775-5990
- Marianne Neville
 - Central Valley Middle School at 724-775-8200 ext. 30118
 - Central Valley High School at 724-775-4300 ext. 14116

Please complete, detach and return the Potassium Iodide Distribution Permission Form to your child's teacher as soon as possible.



Potassium Iodide Distribution Permission Form

Student's Name: _____

Grade Level: K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Homeroom Teacher: _____

School: Center Grange Todd Lane CV Middle School CV High School

YES – I DO want my child to be given potassium iodine, when instructed by public health officials, in the event of a radioactive emergency during school hours.

NO – I DO NOT want my child to be given potassium iodine, when instructed by public health officials, in the event of a radioactive emergency during school hours.

(Parent/Guardian Name)

(Signature)

(Date)

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