

FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS MONTH
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AN AVERAGE OF TWO CHILDREN PER U-S CLASSROOM HAVE A SERIOUS FOOD ALLERGY ... ACCORDING TO ALLERGY AWARENESS ADVOCACY GROUPS.

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MAY IS FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS MONTH ... A GOOD TIME TO LEARN HOW TO SPOT THE SYMPTOMS OF AN ALLERGIC REACTION ... AND WHAT TO DO IF IT HAPPENS.

THE SEVERITY OF ALLERGIC REACTIONS CAN VARY ... BUT TONGUE SWELLING AND DIFFICULTY BREATHING MEAN EMERGENCY TREATMENT MAY BE NECESSARY.

MCLANE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER DOMINIC LUCIA (LOU-CHUH) SAYS DATA SHOWS MORE PEOPLE ARE BECOMING IMPACTED BY FOOD ALLERGIES.

{**TAKE SOT**}

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"We also know the incidence of it since the '90's has gone up by over fifty percent, so we need to bring awareness to this topic, we need to bring education to this topic."

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DOCTOR LUCIA SAYS EXPOSING YOUNG CHILDREN TO SMALL AMOUNTS OF COMMON ALLERGENS MAY HELP REDUCE FOOD ALLERGIES AS THEY GROW UP.