

As a parent of two children with allergies, I feel that it is very important to provide feedback for your accessible transportation consultation. There should be appropriate accommodations made on all modes of transportation for people with food allergies, including consistent staff training and education, and having protocols in place to manage food allergies such as knowing the signs, symptoms and treatment of anaphylaxis. When we are 35,000 feet in the air, we want to know that our children's lives are safe and that if anything were to happen that the staff would know how to handle it. We always carry our own epipens but it is imperative to have additional epinephrine on board the aircraft in case additional dosages are required. Unfortunately all destinations cannot be reached by other modes of transportation so air carriers must do their part in keeping all people with allergies safe. A buffer zone is good as long as it is enforced. Also not serving foods with the top allergens is a must. It's so easy to tell people to not eat a certain food because a child may die from it. Any reasonable person especially parents, would not have a problem with this request. Currently, I only choose air carriers that I feel are safe and following a process that will not endanger my children. The other carriers that do not have these policies in place will never see my money and I know this is how parents of children of allergies feel so they are losing business from us. If everyone works together a reasonable policy can be developed that helps everyone on every mode of transportation.

Regards,

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