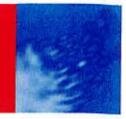


# ACTION PLAN FOR Anaphylaxis



Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_
Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Photo

Confirmed allergens:

Family/emergency contact name(s):

Work Ph: \_\_\_\_\_

Plan prepared by:

Mobile Ph: \_\_\_

Dr:

I hereby authorise medications specified on this plan to be administered according to the plan.

Signed:

Date: \_

Date of next review: \_\_

# How to give EpiPen®



Form fist around EpiPen® and PULL OFF BLUE SAFETY RELEASE.



PLACE ORANGE END against outer mid-thigh (with or without clothing).



PUSH DOWN HARD until a click is heard or felt and hold in place for 10 seconds.

REMOVE EpiPen®. Massage injection site for 10 seconds.

Instructions are also on the device label and at: www.allergv.org.au/anaphylaxis

# MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTION

For use with EpiPen® adrenaline autoinjectors

- Swelling of lips, face, eyes
- · Hives or welts
- Tingling mouth
- Abdominal pain, vomiting (these are signs of anaphylaxis for insect allergy)

## **ACTION FOR MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTION**

- For insect allergy, flick out sting if visible. Do not remove ticks.
- Stay with person and call for help.
- Locate EpiPen® or EpiPen® Jr adrenaline autoinjector.
- Give other medications (if prescribed)......
- · Phone family/emergency contact.

Mild to moderate allergic reactions may not always occur before anaphylaxis

Watch for ANY ONE of the following signs of anaphylaxis

## **ANAPHYLAXIS (SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTION)**

- · Difficult/noisy breathing
- Swelling of tongue
- Swelling/tightness in throat
- · Difficulty talking and/or hoarse voice
- Wheeze or persistent cough
- · Persistent dizziness or collapse
- Pale and floppy (young children)

### **ACTION FOR ANAPHYLAXIS**

- 1 Lay person flat. Do not allow them to stand or walk.

  If breathing is difficult allow them to sit.
- 2 Give EpiPen® or EpiPen® Jr adrenaline autoinjector.
- 3 Phone ambulance\*: 000 (AU) or 111 (NZ).
- 4 Phone family/emergency contact.
- 5 Further adrenaline doses may be given if no response after 5 minutes, if another adrenaline autoinjector is available.

## If in doubt, give adrenaline autoinjector

Commence CPR at any time if person is unresponsive and not breathing normally.

EpiPen® is generally prescribed for adults and children over 5 years. EpiPen® Jr is generally prescribed for children aged 1-5 years.

\*Medical observation in hospital for at least 4 hours is recommended after anaphylaxis.

### IF UNCERTAIN WHETHER IT IS ANAPHYLAXIS OR ASTHMA

- · Give adrenaline autoinjector FIRST, then asthma reliever.
- If someone with known food or insect allergy suddenly develops severe asthma like symptoms, give adrenaline autoinjector FIRST, then asthma reliever.

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