## **Anaphylaxis Emergency Plan:**

This person has a potentially life-threatening allergy (anaphylaxis) to:					
	(Check the appropriate boxes.)         Peanut       Other:				
рното	<b>Food:</b> The key to preventing an anaphylactic emergency is absolute avoidance of the allergen. People with food allergies should not share food or eat unmarked / bulk foods or products with a " <i>may contain</i> " warning.				
	Epinephrine Auto-Injector: Expiry Date: /				
	Dosage:  □ EpiPen <sup>®</sup> Jr 0.15 mg  □ EpiPen <sup>®</sup> 0.30 mg □ Twinject™ 0.15 mg  □ Twinject™ 0.30 mg				
	Location of Auto-Injector(s): Asthmatic: Person is at greater risk. If person is having a reaction and has				

difficulty breathing, give epinephrine auto-injector before asthma medication.

A person having an anaphylactic reaction might have ANY of these signs and symptoms:

- Skin: hives, swelling, itching, warmth, redness, rash
- Respiratory (breathing): wheezing, shortness of breath, throat tightness, cough, hoarse voice, chest pain/tightness, nasal congestion or hay fever-like symptoms (runny itchy nose and watery eyes, sneezing), trouble swallowing
- Gastrointestinal (stomach): nausea, pain/cramps, vomiting, diarrhea
- Cardiovascular (heart): pale/blue colour, weak pulse, passing out, dizzy/lightheaded, shock
- Other: anxiety, feeling of "impending doom", headache

### Early recognition of symptoms and immediate treatment could save a person's life.

Act quickly. The first signs of a reaction can be mild, but symptoms can get worse very quickly.

- 1. Give epinephrine auto-injector (e.g. EpiPen<sup>®</sup> or Twinject<sup>™</sup>) at the first sign of a reaction occurring in conjunction with a known or suspected contact with allergen. Give a second dose in 10 to 15 minutes or sooner IF the reaction continues or worsens. (See second page for instructions.)
- 2. Call 911. Tell them someone is having a life-threatening allergic reaction. Ask them to send an ambulance immediately.
- 3. Go to the nearest hospital, even if symptoms are mild or have stopped. Stay in the hospital for an appropriate period of observation, generally 4 hours, but at the discretion of the ER physician. The reaction could come back.
- 4. Call contact person.

Emergency Contact Information					
Name	Relationship	Home Phone	Work Phone	Cell Phone	

The undersigned patient, parent, or guardian authorizes any adult to administer epinephrine to the above-named person in the event of an anaphylactic reaction, as described above. This protocol has been recommended by the patient's physician.

Patient/Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

**Physician Signature** 

Date





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## How to use the EpiPen® / EpiPen® Jr. (Epinephrine) Auto-Injectors



Remove yellow or green cap from carrying case

- Grasp the Auto-Injector with black tip pointing downward
- Pull off grey safety cap



Place black tip against mid-outer thigh and press firmly until the Auto-Injector activates. Hold while counting for several seconds, then remove

• Massage the injected area for 10 seconds



After administration Call 911 or have someone take you to the emergency room

# After using EpiPen<sup>®</sup> / EpiPen<sup>®</sup> Jr. follow 3 easy safety steps:



Carefully place used Auto-Injector, needle-end first, into storage tube



Screw cap of carrying case on completely

• This automatically bends needle back and secures pen so it won't fall out of tube



Give any used Auto-Injectors to emergency responders or emergency room personnel



EpiPen Auto-Injectors are indicated for the emergency treatment of anaphylactic reactions and for patients determined by a physician to be at increased risk for anaphylaxis.

#### For additional information, please visit www.EpiPen.ca

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