

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: DD / MM / YYYY

Confirmed allergen(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Family/emergency contact(s):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Plan prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_ (prescriber) who authorises medications to be given, as consented by the parent/guardian, according to this plan.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: DD / MM / YYYY

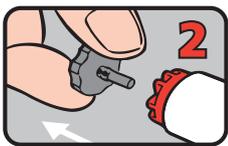
Antihistamine: \_\_\_\_\_ Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

This plan does not expire but review is recommended by: DD / MM / YYYY

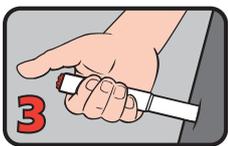
## How to give Anapen® adrenaline (epinephrine) device



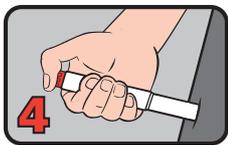
PULL OFF **BLACK** NEEDLE SHIELD



PULL OFF **GREY** SAFETY CAP from red button



PLACE NEEDLE END FIRMLY against outer mid-thigh at 90° angle (with or without clothing)



PRESS **RED** BUTTON so it clicks and hold for 3 seconds. REMOVE Anapen®

Scan for adrenaline device instructions, which are also on the device label.



Anapen® 500 is prescribed for children and adults over 50kg

## MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTIONS

### SIGNS:

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

Mild to moderate allergic reactions may not always occur before anaphylaxis

### ACTIONS:

- Stay with person, call for help
- Locate adrenaline device
- **Give antihistamine - see above**
- Phone family/emergency contact
- Insect allergy - flick out sting if visible
- Tick allergy - seek medical help or freeze tick and let it drop off

## SIGNS OF ANAPHYLAXIS (SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTIONS)

Watch for **ANY ONE** of the following signs:

- Difficult or noisy breathing
- Swelling of tongue
- Swelling or tightness in throat
- Wheeze or persistent cough
- Difficulty talking or hoarse voice
- Persistent dizziness or collapse
- Pale and floppy (young children)
- Abdominal pain, vomiting - **these are signs of anaphylaxis for insect allergy**

## ACTIONS FOR ANAPHYLAXIS

### 1 LAY PERSON FLAT - do NOT allow them to stand or walk

- If unconscious or pregnant, place in recovery position - on left side if pregnant
- If breathing is difficult allow them to sit with legs outstretched
- Hold young children flat, not upright



### 2 GIVE ADRENALINE DEVICE

- 3 Phone ambulance - 000 (AU) or 111 (NZ)
- 4 Phone family/emergency contact
- 5 Further adrenaline may be given if no response after 5 minutes
- 6 Transfer person to hospital for at least 4 hours of observation

### IF IN DOUBT GIVE ADRENALINE DEVICE

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

**ALWAYS GIVE ADRENALINE DEVICE FIRST, and then asthma reliever puffer** if someone with known asthma and allergy to food, insects or medication (who may have been exposed to the allergen) has **SUDDEN BREATHING DIFFICULTY** (including wheeze, persistent cough or hoarse voice). **Anaphylaxis can occur without skin symptoms.**

If device is accidentally injected, use another adrenaline device if available, and contact the local poisons information centre.