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# Anaphylaxis action plan - for use with **Emerade®** adrenaline auto-injector pen

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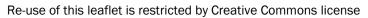
Name:	Date of birth:
NHS number:	
Emergency contact:	
Consultant:	
Plan prepared by:	
Date:	

## Follow the action plan over the page if you have any ONE of these symptoms of a severe allergic reaction (anaphylaxis):

Airway difficulties:	Swelling of tongue
	Swelling / tightness in throat
	Difficulty talking / hoarse voice
Breathing:	Difficult / noisy breathing
	Wheeze or persistent cough
Circulation:	Persistent dizziness or collapse
	Loss of consciousness

#### Health information and support is available at www.nhs.uk or call 111 for non-emergency medical advice

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### Action plan for a severe reaction

- 1. **Lie flat** with your feet up until help arrives. If breathing is difficult you can sit, but do not stand or walk.
- 2. Use your Emerade<sup>®</sup>.
- 3. **Call 999** for an ambulance and say you are having anaphylaxis ("ana-fil-ax-is").
- 4. If there is no improvement after 5-15 minutes use your second Emerade<sup>®</sup> in the other leg.
- 5. Take antihistamines as prescribed (if not already taken). If you are asthmatic use reliever inhaler.

#### If in doubt or rapidly deteriorating, use your Emerade<sup>®</sup>.

## Medical observation in hospital is recommended after anaphylaxis.

Always keep your 2 Emerade pens with you at all times.

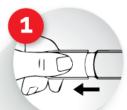
# Follow the action plan below if you have symptoms of a mild or moderate allergic reaction, such as:

- Swelling of lips, face, or eyes.
- Hives or welts.
- Tingling mouth.
- Abdominal pain/ vomiting.

#### Action plan:

- 1. Locate your Emerade<sup>®</sup>.
- 2. Take antihistamines as prescribed.
- 3. Phone family/ emergency contact.
- 4. Watch for worsening symptoms; if in doubt or rapidly deteriorating use your Emerade<sup>®</sup>.

#### How to give Emerade®



#### REMOVE NEEDLE SHIELD



### PRESS AGAINST THE OUTER THIGH



#### HOLD FOR 5 SECONDS Massage the injection site gently

Store Emerade<sup>®</sup> in a cool dark place at room temperature; keep out of direct sunlight and avoid extreme temperatures (e.g. fridge). For more information and to register for a free expiry alert service visit: www.emerade-bausch.co.uk

For more information on anaphylaxis visit:



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