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ACTION PLAN FOR Anaphylaxis

For use with adrenaline (epinephrine) autoinjectors Name: Date of birth: SIGNS OF MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTION Swelling of lips, face, eyes Tingling mouth • Hives or welts • Abdominal pain, vomiting (these are signs of anaphylaxis for insect allergy) Photo ACTION FOR MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTION For insect allergy - flick out sting if visible • For tick allergy seek medical help or freeze tick and let it drop off Stay with person and call for help Locate adrenaline autoinjector Give other medications (if prescribed)..... Phone family/emergency contact Mild to moderate allergic reactions (such as hives or swelling) may not always occur before anaphylaxis WATCH FOR ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SIGNS OF **ANAPHYLAXIS (SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTION)** Plan prepared by medical or nurse practitioner: Difficult/noisy breathing • Difficulty talking and/or Swelling of tongue hoarse voice Swelling/tightness in throat • Persistent dizziness or collapse • Wheeze or persistent cough Pale and floppy (young children) **ACTION FOR ANAPHYLAXIS** 1 Lay person flat - do NOT allow them to stand or walk - If unconscious, place in recovery position - If breathing is difficult allow them to sit 2 Give adrenaline autoinjector Refer to the device label for 3 Phone ambulance - 000 (AU) or 111 (NZ) instructions on how to give **4** Phone family/emergency contact an adrenaline (epinephrine) **5** Further adrenaline doses may be given if no response after autoinjector. **5** minutes

Instructions are also on the ASCIA website www.allergy.org.au/anaphylaxis

Adrenaline autoinjectors (300 mcg) are prescribed for children over 20kg and adults. Adrenaline autoinjectors (150 mcg) are prescribed for children 10-20kg.

6 Transfer person to hospital for at least 4 hours of observation

If in doubt give adrenaline autoinjector

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

ALWAYS give adrenaline autoinjector FIRST, and then asthma reliever puffer if someone with known asthma and allergy to food, insects or medication has SUDDEN BREATHING DIFFICULTY (including wheeze, persistent cough or hoarse voice) even if there are no skin symptoms Asthma reliever medication prescribed: Y N

• If adrenaline is accidentally injected (e.g. into a thumb) phone your local poisons information centre. • Continue to follow this action plan for the person with the allergic reaction.

Confirmed allergens:

Family/emergency contact name(s):

Work Ph:			
Home Ph: _			
Mobile Ph:			

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

Date:

Action Plan due for review - date: