Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Plan

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Child's name: _____ **Date of plan:** _____

Date of birth: ___/___/_____ **Age** _____ **Weight:** _____kg

Child has allergy to _____

Attach child's photo

Child has asthma. Select (If yes, higher chance severe reaction)
Child has had anaphylaxis. Select

IMPORTANT REMINDER
Anaphylaxis is a potentially life-threating, severe allergic reaction. If in doubt, give epinephrine.

For Severe Allergy and Anaphylaxis What to look for

If child has ANY of these severe symptoms after eating the food or having a sting, **give epinephrine**.

- Shortness of breath, wheezing, or coughing, *infants – nasal flaring*
- Skin color is pale or has a bluish color
- Weak pulse, *infants – unexplained fast heart rate*
- Fainting or dizziness, *infants – limp, floppy*
- Tight or hoarse throat, *infants – hoarse cry*
- Trouble breathing or swallowing
- Swelling of lips or tongue that bother breathing
- Vomiting or diarrhea (if severe or combined with other symptoms)
- Many hives or redness over body
- Feeling of "doom," confusion, altered consciousness, or agitation, *infants – inconsolable crying, decreased activity*

☐ **SPECIAL SITUATION**: If this box is checked, child has an extremely severe allergy to an insect sting or the following food(s): _____. Even if child has MILD symptoms after a sting or eating these foods, **give epinephrine**.

Give epinephrine! What to do

1. Give epinephrine right away! Note time when epinephrine was given.
2. Call 911.
   - Ask for ambulance with epinephrine.
   - Tell rescue squad when epinephrine was given.
3. Stay with child and:
   - Call parents and child's doctor.
   - Give a second dose of epinephrine, if symptoms get worse, continue, or do not get better in 5 minutes.
   - Keep child lying on back. If the child vomits or has trouble breathing, keep child lying on his or her side.
4. Give other medicine, if prescribed. Do not use other medicine in place of epinephrine.
   - Antihistamine
   - Inhaler/bronchodilator

For Mild Allergic Reaction What to look for

If child has had any mild symptoms, **monitor child.**
Symptoms may include:

- Itchy nose, sneezing, itchy mouth, *infants – repeated lip licking, tongue thrusting, ear pulling*
- A few hives
- Mild stomach nausea or discomfort, *infants – spitting up more than usual, hiccups, back arching, pulling knees to chest*

Monitor child What to do

Stay with child and:

- Watch child closely.
- Give antihistamine (if prescribed).
- Call parents and child's doctor.
- If more than 1 symptom or symptoms of severe allergy/anaphylaxis develop, use epinephrine. (See "For Severe Allergy and Anaphylaxis.")

Medicines/Doses

Epinephrine (If more than one epinephrine is selected, then any one can be used)

Intramuscular:
☐ 0.10 mg (7.5 kg to less than13 kg)*
☐ 0.15 mg (13 kg to less than 25 kg)
☐ 0.30 mg (25 kg or more)
*Use 0.15 mg, if 0.10 mg is not available

Intranasal:
☐ 1 mg (15 kg to less than 30 kg)
☐ 2 mg (30 kg or more)

Antihistamine (non-sedating preferred), by mouth (type and dose): _____

Other (for example, inhaler/bronchodilator if child has asthma): _____

Parent/Guardian Authorization Signature **Date** **Physician/HCP Authorization Signature** **Date**

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Additional Instructions:

Contacts

Call 911 / Rescue squad: _____

Doctor: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Other Emergency Contacts

Name/Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

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