



# Emergency response to Anaphylactic reaction

St John's Regional College



A First Aid Plan for Anaphylaxis poster is available on the [ASCIA website](#)

## In all situations

1. If safe to do so, lay the person flat, do not allow patient to stand or walk.
2. If breathing is difficult allow patient to sit
  - Be calm, reassuring
  - Do not leave them alone
  - Seek assistance from another staff member or reliable student to locate the autoinjector or a general use autoinjector, and the student's Individual Anaphylaxis Management Plan
  - If the student appears to be experiencing a first time reaction, continue with steps 2–6.
3. Administer prescribed adrenaline autoinjector – note the time given and retain used EpiPen to give ambulance paramedics.
4. Phone ambulance 000 (112 – mobile).
5. If there is no improvement or severe symptoms progress, further adrenaline doses may be given every five minutes (if another autoinjector is available).
6. Phone family/emergency contact.

### If in doubt, give an autoinjector

If the student has not been previously diagnosed with an allergy or at risk of anaphylaxis but appears to be having a severe allergic reaction, follow Steps 2–6 above.

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