

Prescribing tip for information

**Emerade 300 microgram and 500 microgram adrenaline auto-injectors: re-supply to market**

**Headline Message**

- Emerade adrenaline auto-injectors were recalled in 2020 due to an error in one component that caused some auto-injectors to fail to activate and deliver adrenaline.
- A [letter](#) was sent to healthcare professionals in October 2021. Following satisfactory implementation of corrective actions, the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) has agreed 300 and 500 microgram strengths of Emerade adrenaline auto-injectors can be re supplied to market in October 2021.
- Emerade 150 microgram auto-injectors will not be returning to market at this time, further details of re-supply will be provided at a later date



**Indication**

Emerade adrenaline auto-injectors are indicated in the emergency treatment of allergic reactions (anaphylaxis) to insect stings or bites, foods, drugs and other allergens as well as idiopathic or exercise induced anaphylaxis. Such reactions may occur within minutes after exposure so auto injectors should always be carried by such persons with a history or an acknowledged risk of an anaphylactic reaction.

**Dose**

Please follow the link for the Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC) [guidance on prescribing an appropriate strength and dose of Emerade](#) . The dose of Emerade varies according to patient's age and weight with the prescribing clinician's clinical judgement for the appropriate dose to use in adult patients with a body weight >60kg.

**Advice for healthcare professionals**

Specific training and advice should be provided to patients and their caregivers on how to use their adrenaline auto-injector. This is specific to each brand and therefore patients must receive training specific to Emerade. Patients and caregivers are recommended to obtain trainer auto-injectors to assist familiarity in use.

Remind patients to follow existing advice to carry two in-date adrenaline auto-injectors with them at all times and to replace them before they expire.

**Useful Links**

- [Adrenaline auto injector advice for patients](#)
- [How to use Emerade](#)

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