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Recall of Allerject™ Epinephrine Auto Injector Devices



On October 28, 2015, Sanofi-aventis Canada, Inc, the makers of Allerject™ voluntarily recalled all Allerject™ units (0.15 mg/0.15mL and 0.3 mg/0.3 mL strength epinephrine auto-injectors) from the Canadian market.

What was the Issue? The recall was due to issues that may potentially affect the delivery of the required amount of the drug, epinephrine. Allerject™ is used as an emergency treatment by patients who are at risk and/or have a history of serious allergic reactions (anaphylaxis).

Who is affected? Adults and children who use Allerject™ (0.15 mg / 0.15 mL and 0.3 mg/0.3 mL epinephrine auto-injectors).

What should I do if I have an Allerject® device? Return all Allerject™ devices with an expiry date between October 2015 and December 2016 inclusively to your local pharmacy. You will be given a replacement epinephrine auto injector (EpiPen®) at no cost to you. No prescription is required to receive the replacement epinephrine auto-injector. Consult your pharmacist to ensure you understand how to properly use the replacement auto-injector.

What if a student/staff member is still using the Allergject device? In the event a life-threatening allergic reaction (anaphylaxis) occurs before someone can obtain a replacement auto injector, use the Allerject™ device as directed, and then seek emergency medical attention.

Schools should notify the families of students using Allerject™ devices of the recall and ask them to provide a replacement epinephrine auto-injector (EpiPen®) to the school for their child's use during the recall.

When will the Allerject™ device be back on the market? Sanofi's priority and focus is to ensure patient safety. The company has instructed its manufacturer to temporarily discontinue manufacturing and to stop all distribution until all product issues are resolved. The company will strive to keep the public updated regarding its availability in a timely manner. Currently there is no indication from the company as to when Allerject™ devices will be available again.

For more information visit: **http://www.allerject.ca/** or If you have additional questions about this recall, you can contact the Allerject™ Call Center at 1 855-405-4321.