



# Managing anaphylaxis after vaccination

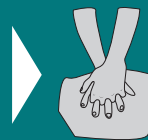


Anaphylaxis is a life-threatening emergency and needs immediate adrenaline administration.

## Symptoms of anaphylaxis after vaccination

Any **one** of:

- ▶ difficult/noisy breathing
- ▶ swelling of tongue
- ▶ swelling/tightness in throat
- ▶ difficulty talking/hoarse voice
- ▶ wheeze or persistent cough
- ▶ persistent dizziness or collapse
- ▶ pale and floppy (young children)



**Start CPR at any time if needed**

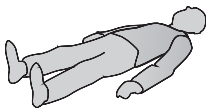
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**Call for help**, including an ambulance if necessary

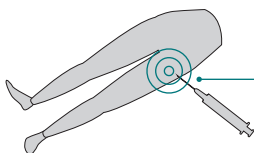
Do **not** leave the person

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**Lie the person on their back**, or let them sit up if lying down restricts their breathing

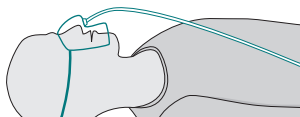
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1:1000 adrenaline

**Give 1:1000 adrenaline** by intramuscular injection into the anterolateral thigh. Dose according to the person's weight

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**Give oxygen** by face mask at a high flow rate, if available

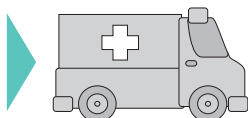
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5 min

If their condition has not improved after 5 minutes, **give another dose** of 1:1000 adrenaline. Keep giving adrenaline every 5 minutes until the ambulance arrives if their condition does not improve

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**Transfer** the person to hospital for further observation and treatment

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**Record the incident**, including doses of adrenaline given

See the Australian Immunisation Handbook for more details.