



Managing anaphylaxis after vaccination

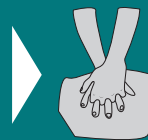


Anaphylaxis is a life-threatening emergency and needs immediate adrenaline administration.

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

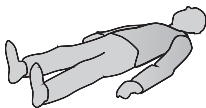
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Call for help, including an ambulance if necessary

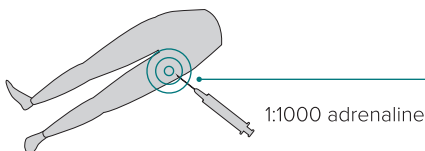
Do **not** leave the person

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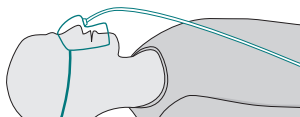
Lie the person on their back, or let them sit up if lying down restricts their breathing

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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

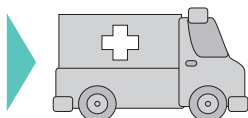
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If their condition has not improved after 5 minutes, **give another dose** of 1:1000 adrenaline. Keep giving adrenaline every 5 minutes until the ambulance arrives if their condition does not improve

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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.