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Thousands of Schools Nationwide are Receiving Free EpiPen(R) (epinephrine) Auto-Injectors Through the Mylan Specialty L.P. EpiPen4Schools(TM) Program

Several Schools Have Already Turned to EpiPen Auto-Injector for Life-Threatening Allergic Reactions

BASKING RIDGE, N.J., Feb. 20, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Since Mylan Specialty L.P., the fully-integrated specialty pharmaceutical business of Mylan Inc. (Nasdaq: MYL), launched the EpiPen4Schools™ program in August 2012, thousands of schools across the country have elected to participate and redeem free EpiPen® or EpiPen Jr® (epinephrine) Auto-Injectors. The program was created to help schools have improved access to epinephrine in the event a person experiences a life-threatening allergic reaction (anaphylaxis) at school.

"When anaphylaxis occurs, every minute matters—even one incident without access to epinephrine is too many. Through EpiPen4Schools we are helping make epinephrine available for those with known life-threatening allergies as well as for those who experience anaphylaxis while at school," said Heather Bresch, CEO of Mylan. "As we continue our commitment to improving access to epinephrine, we are delighted to see the immediate interest and uptake nationwide, and hope it continues. Several cases in schools across the country in which the free EpiPen Auto-Injectors were used to treat an anaphylactic reaction underscore the positive impact of the program."

The program offers four free EpiPen or EpiPen Jr Auto-Injectors, upon qualification, which includes having a valid prescription, to public and private kindergarten, elementary, middle and high schools in the U.S. The products are available in the form of two EpiPen 2-Pak® cartons, two EpiPen Jr 2-Pak® cartons or one 2-Pak of each kind. EpiPen Auto-Injectors contain a single dose of epinephrine, which you inject into your outer thigh. EpiPen and EpiPen Jr are intended for immediate self administration as emergency supportive therapy only. Seek immediate emergency medical treatment after use. For complete program details, visit www.EpiPen4Schools.com.

"Starting in the fall of 2012, all Chicago Public Schools (CPS) have undesignated epinephrine auto-injectors, provided through the EpiPen4Schools program. To date, we have already had several events in Chicago schools requiring the use of these EpiPen Auto-Injectors. If symptoms of anaphylaxis are identified, a person should be treated with an epinephrine auto-injector and seek immediate emergency medical care after use," said Ruchi Gupta, M.D., M.P.H., Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Northwestern University and Lurie Children's Hospital. "As we work with CPS to help facilitate the anaphylaxis policies CPS has implemented, we are pleased to see them having the intended effect."

Each school should have a comprehensive anaphylaxis action plan that emphasizes avoidance of the allergen. The plan also should include awareness of the risks, preparedness for an emergency and access to two epinephrine auto-injectors and immediate medical care.

Epinephrine is the only first-line treatment for anaphylaxis, which can occur quickly and without warning. According to the food allergy guidelines developed by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, if experiencing anaphylaxis, a person should use an epinephrine auto-injector and seek immediate emergency medical attention. Carrying an epinephrine auto-injector does not prevent patients from having an anaphylactic reaction; hence, patients must avoid their allergic triggers at all times.

"We always remind families of the importance for students with known life-threatening allergies to have immediate access to epinephrine auto-injectors at all time. Through the EpiPen4Schools program, schools nationwide also are able to remain prepared should a student or school personnel experience anaphylaxis for the first time in the school setting," Dr. Gupta added.

Anaphylaxis causes approximately 1,500 deaths annually, and children and adolescents are among those most at risk for anaphylaxis. Schools nationwide have made efforts to reduce exposure to allergens in the school environment—a critical first step in managing the risk of life-threatening allergic reactions. While practicing allergen avoidance is imperative, accidental contact can still happen, which is why it is important that epinephrine is accessible.

About Anaphylaxis

Anaphylaxis is a life-threatening allergic reaction that has many possible triggers, occurs quickly, without warning, and must be treated immediately with epinephrine. Symptoms may include hives or redness of the skin, tightness in the throat, nausea, dizziness, breathing problems, a decrease in blood pressure and/or fainting. Anaphylaxis can be caused by triggers such as food, stinging and biting insects, medicines, latex or even exercise. Epinephrine is the only first-line treatment for anaphylaxis. According to the food allergy guidelines developed by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, if experiencing anaphylaxis, a person should use an epinephrine auto-injector and seek immediate emergency medical attention. Epinephrine is a naturally-occurring hormone, also known as adrenaline, and it should be available at all times to patients at risk. Delays in epinephrine administration have been associated with negative health consequences, even possibly death.

About the EpiPen4Schools Program

To participate in EpiPen4Schools, a school nurse or other authorized school representative must visit www.EpiPen4Schools.com to download the order and certification form, then fax or email the form with a valid prescription to 1-973-718-4328 or info@bioridgepharma.com. Alternately, school representatives can call 1-973-845-7600 to speak with a live representative.

In addition to the EpiPen4Schools program, Mylan Specialty offers a discount program through which schools can purchase, upon qualification, EpiPen 2-Pak (0.3 mg) cartons and EpiPen Jr 2-Pak (0.15 mg) cartons at a discounted price. There is no requirement for a school to purchase additional EpiPen Auto-Injectors or any other Mylan Specialty products.

About EpiPen[®] Auto-Injector

EpiPen Auto-Injectors are used for the emergency treatment of life-threatening allergic reactions. Each EpiPen 2-Pak contains two single auto-injectors, instructions for use and a training device, with no drug product or needle, to help patients become familiar with the administration technique. EpiPen Auto-Injector should be administered immediately at the first sign of an anaphylactic reaction. EpiPen Auto-Injector is not a substitute for emergency medical treatment. Patients should seek emergency medical attention immediately following administration. For more information about EpiPen Auto-Injector, please visit www.epipen.com.

Indications

EpiPen[®] (epinephrine) 0.3 mg and EpiPen Jr[®] (epinephrine) 0.15 mg Auto-Injectors are for the emergency treatment of life-threatening allergic reactions (anaphylaxis) caused by allergens, exercise, or unknown triggers; and for people who are at increased risk for these reactions. EpiPen and EpiPen Jr are intended for immediate self administration as emergency supportive therapy only. Seek immediate emergency medical treatment after use.

Important Safety Information

EpiPen Auto-Injectors contain a single dose of epinephrine, which you inject into your outer thigh. **DO NOT INJECT INTO YOUR VEIN, BUTTOCK, FINGERS, TOES, HANDS OR FEET.** In case of accidental injection, please seek immediate medical treatment. Epinephrine should be used with caution if you have heart disease or are taking certain medicines that can cause heart-related (cardiac) symptoms.

Tell your doctor if you have certain medical conditions such as asthma, depression, thyroid disease, Parkinson's disease, diabetes, high blood pressure and heart disease, have any other medical conditions, are pregnant or plan to become pregnant, or are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. Be sure to also tell your doctor all the medicines you take, especially medicines for asthma. **If you have certain medical conditions, or take certain medicines, your condition may get worse or you may have longer lasting side effects when you take the EpiPen or EpiPen Jr Auto Injector.**

The most common side effects may include increase in heart rate, stronger or irregular heartbeat, sweating, nausea and vomiting, difficulty breathing, paleness, dizziness, weakness or shakiness, headache, apprehension, nervousness or anxiety. These side effects usually go away quickly, especially if you rest.

Talk to your healthcare professional to see if EpiPen or EpiPen Jr Auto-Injector is right for you.

Please [click here](#) or visit www.EpiPen.com for the EpiPen Auto-Injector prescribing information.

Please [click here](#) or visit www.EpiPen.com for the EpiPen Auto-Injector patient information.

You are encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA.

Visit <http://www.fda.gov/medwatch> or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

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