

April 24, 2017

Dear School staff and Parents,

The FDA has announced a **recall** of thirteen lots of **Mylan Epinephrine Auto-Injectors** (also known as EpiPen or EpiPen Jr). This is a medicine used for emergency treatment of life-threatening allergic reactions. The affected lots may have a defective part that can lead to a failure to activate the device. **We have confirmed that the manufacturer's recall does not apply to the supply of District-Issued EpiPen/EpiPen Jrs currently available in Chicago Public Schools.**

However, we urge parents to check their own children's personal EpiPen supply against the list of recalled lots. Similarly, school staff should check any EpiPens they store on students' behalf. **Please see the chart below for affected lot numbers.**

Product/Dosage	NDC Number on Carton	Lot Number	Expiration Date
EpiPen Jr 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.15 mg	49502-501-02	5GN767	April 2017
EpiPen Jr 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.15 mg	49502-501-02	5GN773	April 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	5GM631	April 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	5GM640	May 2017
EpiPen Jr 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.15 mg	49502-501-02	6GN215	September 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM082	September 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM072	September 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM081	September 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM088	October 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM199	October 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM091	October 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM198	October 2017
EpiPen 2-Pak® Auto-Injectors, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM087	October 2017

**Students who have been prescribed EpiPens should carry the medicine with them or have it close at hand at all times including school hours.** Life-threatening allergic reactions are unpredictable, so quick and easy access to an EpiPen is the best defense.

Parents should contact their child's healthcare provider in order to obtain their own personal supply of EpiPen/Epi Pen Jr for use at home or school. The Office of Student Health and Wellness (773-553-3560) can help families enroll in health insurance in order to ease access to a healthcare provider. For more information about school management of food allergies go to <http://cps.edu/oshw/Pages/HealthPolicies.aspx>.

In health,



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