



15 March 2024

Medicine Supply Alert Notice

Jext[®] 300micrograms/0.3ml (adrenaline 1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pen

Priority: Level 2*
Valid until: w/c 25 March 2024

Issue

1. Jext[®] 300micrograms/0.3ml (adrenaline 1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens will be out of stock until w/c 25 March 2024.
2. EpiPen[®] 300micrograms/0.3ml (adrenaline 1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens remain available and can support a full uplift in demand.
3. Jext[®] 150micrograms/0.15ml (adrenaline 1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens remain available.

Advice and Actions

4. All healthcare professionals who prescribe or dispense Jext[®] 300micrograms/0.3ml (adrenaline 1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens should:
 - not initiate new patients on Jext[®] 300micrograms/0.3ml auto-injector pens during the period of the shortage; and
 - consider prescribing EpiPen[®] 300micrograms/0.3ml auto-injector pens, counselling patients on the change in device at the point of prescribing and supply, including how to use the new device if patients are unfamiliar with EpiPen[®], and signposting to training materials (see Additional information).

Additional information

5. Please see the following links for further information:
 - [SmPC Jext[®]](#)
 - [SmPC EpiPen[®]](#)
 - [Patient information leaflet: EpiPen[®]](#)
 - [EpiPen[®] training video](#)
 - [Allergy UK Factsheet: Adrenaline auto injectors](#)

- [Allergy UK: How to guide to administering an EpiPen](#)
- [BSACI guidance on adrenaline autoinjectors](#)
- [MHRA: Adrenaline auto-injectors \(AAs\): new guidance and resources for safe use](#)
- [BNF adrenaline autoinjectors](#)

Specialist Pharmacy Service (SPS) website

6. The UK Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) in conjunction with SPS have launched an online Medicines Supply Tool, which provides up to date information about medicine supply issues. To access the online Medicines Supply Tool you need to register with the [SPS website](#). Registration for access to the website is available to UK healthcare professionals and organisations providing NHS healthcare. The tool is located under the Tools tab and then click on the Medicines Supply option.
7. We encourage prescribers, pharmacy professionals, and pharmacy procurement leads in Scotland to register with the SPS website and use its Medicine Supply Tool in order to stay up to date concerning medicines supply disruptions. Please be aware that while medicines supply issues will appear on the SPS website, some of the recommended actions may not always be appropriate / relevant within the Scottish context.

Enquiries

8. Enquiries from Health Boards or healthcare professionals should be directed in the first instance to PharmacyTeam@gov.scot (primary care) or NSS.NHSSMedicineShortages@nhs.scot (secondary care).