

Successful completion of Medication Challenge

Information for parents/carers

Following a successful hospital-based challenge.

Your child has now successfully completed a hospital-based medication challenge for:

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In the future if your child requires this medication, you may give your child the required dose. If any further reactions were to take place, then please seek the relevant medical treatment and inform your GP or the Allergy Clinic of the reaction.

Late onset of symptoms

If in the case of symptoms you believe your child needs medical attention, please contact your own GP, or NHS24 on 111 if out of hours. In an emergency contact 999.

Please always keep your child's emergency medication nearby. If your child develops symptoms such as hives/a rash or a swelling, an antihistamine can be taken.

While uncommon, a severe allergic reaction (anaphylaxis) may still occur. If you notice any signs of airway and breathing problems or altered consciousness, please **call 999**.

In the case of a late onset of an allergic reaction, please contact the Allergy Team once your child has had appropriate medical attention. Our number can be found in the contact section on the next page of this leaflet.

Delayed symptoms

Following a successful hospital-based challenge, please observe your child for any delayed symptoms.

Delayed symptoms may include:

- worsening of existing eczema
- abdominal pain and/or diarrhoea

If delayed symptoms are mild, the trialled medication can be taken in the future if required. In the case of a delayed symptom such as eczema, please treat at home accordingly with your child's emollients/ointments or creams, as prescribed by your child's GP or Dermatologist.

Contact Information

If you would like to speak to the allergy nurses following the medication challenge, they can be contacted via the Respiratory Secretaries on **0131 312 0453**. This is **not** an emergency number and will be answered during office hours.

Further Information

Further information and resources can be found at:

Allergy UK

www.allergyuk.org



Anaphylaxis UK

www.anaphylaxis.org.uk



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