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To: All Community Pharmacists

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Dear colleague

Medicine Supply Notification: Jext® 300micrograms/0.3ml (1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pen  
Tier 2 – medium impact\*

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## Summary

- Jext®300micrograms/0.3ml (1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens are out of stock until w/c 11th September 2023.
- EpiPen® 300micrograms/0.3ml (1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens remain available and can support a full uplift in demand.
- Jext® 150micrograms/0.15ml (1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens remain available.
- A Serious Shortage Protocol (SSP) was issued on 21/08/2023.

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## Actions Required

All healthcare professionals in primary, secondary and tertiary care who prescribe or dispense Jext®300micrograms/0.3ml (1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens should:

- not initiate new patients onto Jext® 300micrograms/0.3ml (1 in 1000) solution for injection auto-injector pens during the period of the shortage.

Pharmacists may supply EpiPen® 300micrograms/0.3ml auto-injector pens in accordance with the SSP for eligible patients (see Supporting Information):

- pharmacists must ensure that the patient's prescriber and/or GP practice is notified when supplying a patient in accordance with this SSP; and
- patients should be counselled regarding the switch in device at the point of supply and given device-specific training (how to use) as well as when to use.

If the patient is deemed ineligible or does not consent to receive an alternative product via the SSP, clinicians in primary and secondary care can consider prescribing:

- EpiPen® 300micrograms/0.3ml auto-injector pens, and counsel patients regarding the change in device at the point of prescribing, including how to use the new device if patients are unfamiliar with EpiPen, and signposting to training materials (see Supporting Information).

## Supporting information

Please see the following links for further information:

- [SmPC Jext](#)
- [Jext 300microgram/0.3ml auto-injector pens SSP](#)
- [SmPC EpiPen](#)
- [Patient information leaflet on EpiPen](#)
- [EpiPen training video](#)
- [EpiPen trainer](#)
- [EpiPen explained](#)
- [BSACI guidance on adrenaline autoinjector](#)
- [Adrenaline auto-injectors: updated advice after European review](#)
- [MHRA - Adrenaline auto-injectors](#)
- [Adrenaline auto-injectors \(AAs\): new guidance and resources for safe use](#)
- [BNF adrenaline autoinjectors](#)