



Skill Checklist: Using an Epinephrine Auto-Injector

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Step 1:	Following your protocol and patient assessment, determine that administering epinephrine via auto-injector is indicated for your patient.
Step 2:	Rule out any appropriate drug contraindications. Check the auto-injector to ensure that it has not expired. Examine the window in the auto-injector to ensure that the fluid is clear. Perform the 6Rs.
Step 3:	Explain the procedure to the patient.
Step 4:	Remove the safety cap.
Step 5:	Firmly push the tip of the epinephrine auto-injector against the middle third of the patient's outer thigh. A click will be heard when the dose is administered.
Step 6:	Hold the auto-injector in place for up to 10 seconds to allow time for the medication to enter the patient.
Step 7:	Remove the auto-injector.
Step 8:	Rub the injection site for up to 30 seconds to promote absorption.
Step 9:	Document the administration of the epinephrine: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– The name of the drug given– The dose of the drug that was given– The time the dose was given– The route by which the dose was given– The effects the dose had on the patient

Skill demonstrated successfully?

- YES
- NO

Comments:

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