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The Original Allergy Emergency Kit Epinephrine Cabinet For School Lunch Rooms and Corridors

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The Illinois Supply Company of Homer Glen, Illinois began shipping its revolutionary epinephrine cabinet for school cafeterias and hallways this week. This new patent-pending product is meant to shave important minutes off of response times in an anaphylactic emergency by storing epinephrine auto-injectors (such as EpiPens) as close to the point of need as possible, specifically, on the wall in school cafeterias and school hallways near classrooms and school athletic fields. Anaphylaxis occurs when an allergic person accidentally ingests a peanut, tree nut, shellfish, other allergen or in instances of a bee or insect sting.

Anaphylactic allergies amongst young school-age children are reaching epidemic proportions, with some estimates indicating as many as 8% of elementary school children suffering from some type of severe food allergy.

It has taken several years for the public mindset and legislation to catch up with the risks associated with anaphylaxis. Recently however, many states have passed laws allowing, or requiring, schools to maintain a "public supply" of epinephrine autoinjectors for use in cases when an anaphylactic reaction occurs in a student that has not been previously identified as allergic. Students with known allergies frequently keep an epinephrine auto-injector with them at all times or on file with the school nurse. The most concerning challenge is maintaining epinephrine for young children that do not yet have the reasoning ability to manage a life-threatening allergy on their own.

With many schools now seeking to maintain a public supply of epinephrine auto injectors, school nurses and administrators are challenged with how to store them in such a manner that they are always accessible, yet secure from unintended use and theft. Epinephrine auto injectors are available by prescription only and cost as much as \$125 each. The Original Allergy Emergency Kit cabinet addresses all of these concerns by providing schools with a way of displaying epinephrine auto-injectors in a very public and conspicuous location, similar to emergency defibrillator or fire extinguisher cabinets. Additionally, the cabinet has a special proprietary feature: the ability to break the clear window on the front of the cabinet to access the epinephrine without a key. The window is made of an ultra-safe material that is safe to break with the attached hammer. As inventor Brandon Wilson explains "Epinephrine auto injectors are serious business. They contain prescription-only medication and a needle and they are very expensive. Our cabinet deters inappropriate meddling or theft while fulfilling the "secure but not locked" requirement of many states' legislation."

The cabinet is available from several school nurse supply catalogs, Amazon.com and on the Original Allergy Emergency Kit web site located at www.allergyemergencykit.com. The cabinet retails for \$319.99. Quantity discounts and custom cabinet configurations are available. All Original Allergy Emergency Kit cabinets are made in the USA.

The Original Allergy Emergency Kit cabinet was invented by Brandon Wilson of Mokena, Illinois after he and his wife Jennifer discovered their daughter had an anaphylactic allergy to cashews (tree nuts).

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