

EPIPEN RECALL

A recall of the emergency anti-allergy medicine EpiPen has been expanded to include Canada, the U.S., Europe, Asia and South America because some of the devices administering the allergy shots may not work.

Pfizer Canada issued a statement late Friday night saying it has decided to voluntarily recall two types of the epinephrine injection.

"In Canada, the recall impacts one lot (5GU763) of the 0.3 mg strength of EpiPen Auto-Injector expiring in May 2017 and one lot (5GR765) of the 0.15 mg strength of EpiPen Jr Auto-Injector expiring in March 2017," said the company, which distributes the product, manufactured by Meridian Medical Technologies in the U.S.

The products in lot 5GU763 were distributed by Pfizer Canada from January to March 2016. Those in lot 5GR765 were distributed from November 2015 to February 2016.

Pfizer said it's committed to replacing the recalled devices at no cost and has advised consumers who have them to contact its information line at 1-800-463-6001.

Please contact Mrs. Barrie in the School Office to verify the expiry date of the EPIPEN being held at school for use by your child.

