

Important safety information regarding GlucaGen® HypoKit

Novo Nordisk is recalling certain batches in New Zealand to protect patient safety.

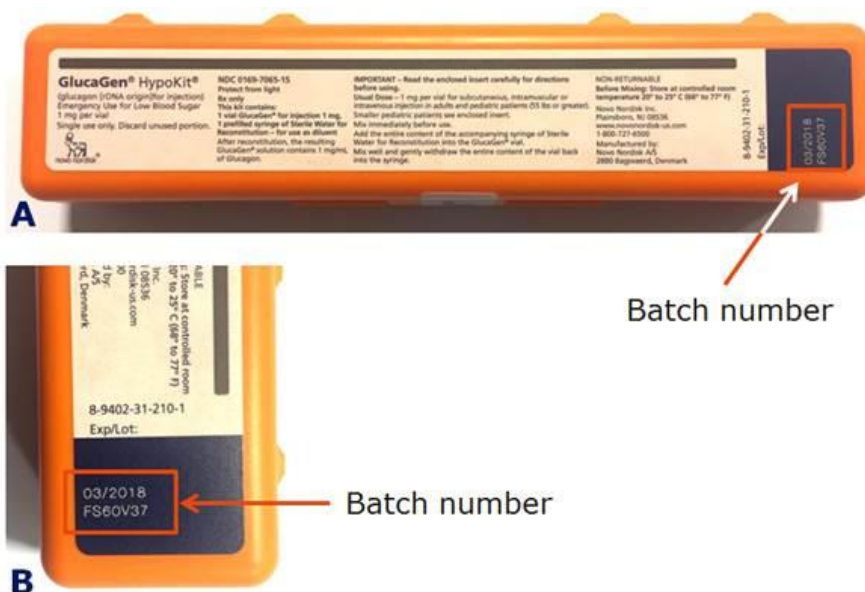
Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals Limited is recalling 2 batches of GlucaGen® HypoKit in New Zealand. The GlucaGen® HypoKit is used for the 'treatment of severe hypoglycaemic reactions which may occur in the management of diabetic patients receiving insulin or oral hypoglycaemic agents'. It is therefore important to have a functioning GlucaGen® HypoKit that can be used effectively.

Novo Nordisk conducted an investigation showing a small number of needles (0.006 %) were detached from the pre-filled syringe supplied in certain batches of GlucaGen® HypoKit. To protect patient safety Novo Nordisk is recalling all products in the affected batches from wholesalers, pharmacies and patients in New Zealand.

The recalled GlucaGen® HypoKit batch numbers and expiry dates are:

Batch no.	Expiry date	Country
FS6X537	31/08/2017	New Zealand
FS6X873	31/08/2017	New Zealand

The batch numbers are printed on the GlucaGen® HypoKit as indicated below in the red box.



What to do if you are in possession of a GlucaGen® HypoKit with one of the above-mentioned batch numbers:

- Return your GlucaGen® HypoKit product with the above mentioned batch numbers to your pharmacy. You will be given a free replacement GlucaGen® HypoKit either immediately (if pharmacy stock is present) or within a few days (if pharmacy needs to await re-supply). If you do not receive a replacement immediately, retain your GlucaGen® HypoKit until the replacement can be provided, as the likelihood of a detached needle is very low.

GlucaGen® HypoKit is to be used for episodes of severe hypoglycaemia (low blood sugar) when you have become unconscious or are unable to ingest a source of sugar. It is therefore important that you have a functioning GlucaGen® HypoKit that can be used effectively. Please check the batch number on your GlucaGen® HypoKit and take action as recommended in this communication.

Importantly, if you are in possession of a GlucaGen® HypoKit product with a batch number **NOT** mentioned above there is **NO** concern and you can be confident that the product will work as intended.

Yours sincerely,



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