

FARE, ACEP develop new anaphylaxis toolkit

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essential information for those who have experienced an anaphylactic reaction and are in need of answers."

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(HealthDay)—A new anaphylaxis toolkit has been developed to help answer questions about managing life-threatening allergies after patients are discharged from the emergency department, according to a report from Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) and the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Each year there are more than 200,000 emergency department visits for <u>food allergy</u>, and the resource, which is available online and in print, is part of an educational initiative to help improve <u>emergency department</u> discharge procedures. The toolkit is a resource to help <u>patients</u> know what steps to take after discharge.

The toolkit can be downloaded for free or ordered online and includes an emergency care plan; an epinephrine auto-injector prescription reminder; a reminder to follow up with an allergist; and tools for parents, teens, and <u>adult patients</u>. In addition, it includes a list of useful resources.

"Food allergy reactions are unpredictable and can become severe without warning; therefore, it is important to prepare both patients and physicians to treat these reactions promptly," James R. Baker Jr., M.D., interim chief executive officer of FARE, said in a statement. "We are pleased to join with American College of Emergency Physicians to share this important resource, which includes



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