

Transcript: *treatment for severe hypoglycaemia using the Glucagon Kit*

“So if you need to give a glucagon injection for an unconscious hypo, you would open up the pack, and there are the instructions in the top of the lid.

There are two things inside, the powder inside the bottle and the water inside the syringe.

The first step is to take the top off the bottle and then we need to take the top off the syringe. We are then going to inject the water into the powder, pushing down on the white end and pushing the liquid inside the bottle, then swirling it round gently to dissolve the powder.

You then tip it upside down, pushing any air that’s left in the syringe up and then pulling down, with the needle down slightly, so that we can pull out any extra liquid, pulling down on the white plunger.

If your child is 5 years or under 25kg we take out ½ ml, you can see the ½ ml marking on the syringe. If your child is over 5 and over 25kg then we pull the whole amount of liquid out, and we are giving 1ml. We can just push any air that’s at the top out the top so we get a little bit coming out the end of the needle. So we’re drawing up the whole amount and then we’re giving it into the leg.

So once we’ve drawn up the whole ml we going to inject it into the area of the thigh and just into the muscle so it goes 90 degrees straight into the muscle and straight in. Once we’ve given it all, we can take it out. It will take between 5 and 10 minutes to work and your child to regain consciousness.”