



Laura is having a allergic anaphylactic reaction to the wasp venom. Use the EpiPen immediately and closely observe her response; delays in administering epinephrine are closely associated with fatalities. Follow with the OTC dose of Clartin and keep it current during her evacuation.

If the hives do not resolve within 5-15 minutes or other S/Sx of anaphylaxis develop, administer the second EpiPen. In either case, if Laura's S/Sx resolve, begin an Level 3 evacuation to definitive care for physician follow-up. If her S/Sx persist after the second dose, begin an urgent, Level 1 evacuation.

While expired, the epinephrine in both EpiPens is clear with no particulates and therefore safe to use. That said, the potency is in question; although that does not change how you administer the drug.

Claritin (loratadine) is second generation H1 antihistamine and can be administered with epinephrine in place of the more commonly used first generation H1 antihistamine, Benedryl (diphenhydramine).