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**Guide to using insulin**

Insulin is the only therapy to treat type-1 diabetes to maintain normal blood glucose level. Lack of insulin causes several symptoms such as fatigue, severe thirst, low vision, nausea and abdominal pain. Insulin injection can be applied on abdominal area, upper back arm, or thigh. There are several steps to inject insulin: clean the injection area with alcohol, pinch skin a little and insert the needle perpendicular to skin surface, push thumbnail until all insulin liquid is injected and hold five seconds, release the pinch and needle from skin, hold the injection area for 5-8 seconds in case of blood or clear fluid presence.

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**Indofarma incur loss due to importing raw materials**

PT Indofarma Tbk (INAF) performance in this first semester is disappointing, incurring Rp9 billion loss as it has to import most of raw materials. The delayed production of generic drugs for e-catalog also aggravates the problem, lowering PT INAF revenue by 14.45% to Rp404.72 billion in the first semester of 2013, said Elfiano Rizaldi, Chairman for PT INAF. However, PT INAF is optimistic to reach revenue target of Rp1.4 trillion with net profit of Rp82.6 billion this year. In the second semester, PT INAF will boost its generic drugs production. The state-owned enterprise has signed a contract to provide 109 generic drug items with market capitalization of Rp5-6 trillion for 300-350 items. The e-catalog tender is to anticipate increased demand on generic drugs during the implementation of National Social Security System (SJSN) in 2014. PT INAF will commence building new plant in Cikarang in the fourth quarter of 2013.

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### **Young vaccine ambassador actively disseminate information**

PT Bio Farma creates Young Vaccine Ambassador program to provide comprehensive information on vaccine, said Rachman Rustan, Corporate Secretary for PT Bio Farma. The program is being established in schools in 10 West Java cities. Vaccine is an antigenic substance to stimulate active immunity against infectious diseases. Vaccine can be made from virus strain or weakened bacteria. PT Bio Farma, as the only vaccine producer in Indonesia, has produced various types of vaccine with several dozens million of dosage. The most recent product is Pentavalent, a composite vaccine against five diseases: diphtheria, hepatitis B, anti TPDH 4, and Hib (haemophilus influenza type B).

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