

Dear Colleague: November 3, 2020

Due to regulatory changes at State and Federal levels and changes in national drug supply, beginning Monday, November 16, 2020, your team at Infuserve <u>will no longer be dispensing prescription orders</u> <u>for the following medications:</u>

- Sodium Ascorbate (corn-free) injection (Vitamin C)
- Phosphatidylcholine (PTC) injection
- Dexpanthenol (B5) injection
- EDTA calcium injection
- Taurine injection

Inventory is limited. When existing inventory is gone we will not be compounding more.

The good news is that we can still compound customized Myer's Cocktails for your patients from a selection of commercial additives. Those additives include: Ascorbic Acid (Ascor), Pyridoxine, B-Complex 100, Hydroxocobalamin, Magnesium Sulfate (or chloride), Potassium Chloride, Sodium Bicarbonate, Calcium Gluconate (or chloride), Zinc Sulfate (or chloride), Tralement (MTE-4), and Amino Acids.

Keep in mind that to stay in compliance with more stringent State regulations, we are limited to the following beyond use dates (BUDs): The labeling with reflect the following discard after dates.

- 3 days refrigerated for bags or syringes made from ANY compounded (not commercial) products
- 9 days refrigerated for syringes or bags made from more than 3 commercial products (bag included)
- 14 days refrigerated for bags or syringes made from up to 3 commercial products (bag included)

Additionally, we can supplement your Myer's Cocktail with add-ons like Carnitine, Folic Acid, Glutathione (**not for CA**), Ondansetron, Acetylcysteine (NAC), Ketorolac, and Alpha-Lipoic Acid (**not for CA**).

IMPORTANT: Because of the change to using commercial Ascorbic Acid injection (Ascor), the amounts of ascorbic acid prescribed and the prices of Myer's Cocktails are subject to change. **Please inquire about these changes before placing your next order.**

Given all the recent regulatory pressure from both at State and Federal levels, we encourage both you and your patients contact your local government representatives to ensure access to individualized compounded medications. For more information about how to protect your patient's access to customized medications, please visit the following site: https://www.a4pc.org/, and https://democracy.io/#!/.

We are always available for questions. Please call (800)-886-9222.

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Dear Friends.

You may be at risk of losing access to your compounded medications. The FDA has finalized an agreement called a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with regards to compounded medication between each state's board of pharmacy and the federal government. If signed by the state, it would require the state government to track interstate compounded prescription drug dispensing.. Some states cannot legally sign, others do not have the resources or the manpower required implement or carry out the requirements of the MOU. If a state refuses to sign this MOU, the FDA will limit pharmacies in that state to dispensing compounds totaling 5% or less of their total prescription volume interstate. This means that patients that currently use compounded medications are at risk of no longer having access to their medications.

We are urging you to act today by submitting public comments to your congressional representatives and senators. Please visit democracy.io to submit comments in support of your continuing access to compounded medications. To submit your comment, visit democracy.io, enter your address, and hit Submit. On the next screen click "Write to them!" to contact all your senators and congressional representatives. Then fill in the form on the next screen with your own personal information.

You may type your own comment or copy and paste the comment below.

SUBJECT:

Access to compounded medications

MESSAGE:

I am writing to you as a member of your district and a patient being treated with compounded medications that I feel are vital to my health and well-being. The FDA is proposing to implement an agreement on the interstate shipment of compounded medications with state boards of pharmacy. Many state governments disagree with the proposed agreement that the FDA has published, and several have already given notice they will refuse to sign this agreement. This is a battle between federal and state governments with vulnerable patients like me stuck in the middle. If the FDA and the states cannot reach an agreement on this matter, compounding pharmacies may be limited to shipping only 5% of their total prescriptions out of state. This would put patients like me at risk of losing access to vital treatments.

I urge you to intervene to protect access to my medication, and access to the medication of hundreds of thousands of other Americans which the FDA is jeopardizing.