



Medicine Supply Notification

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Caffeine Citrate 10mg/mL oral solution

Tier 2 – medium impact*

Date of issue: 29/05/2020

Summary

- Martindale, sole supplier, are out of stock of caffeine citrate 10mg/mL oral solution.
- Anticipated resupply date: 3rd August 2020.
- Caffeine citrate 10mg/mL solution for injection, which is licensed for oral use, remains available.
- Martindale have confirmed there is sufficient stock of this preparation to support the market whilst the oral solution is unavailable.

Actions Required

- Assess local stock holding and place orders for caffeine citrate 10mg/mL solution for injection where further supplies are required.
- Consider whether any local training is required when conducting this switch and liaise with Medication Safety Officers as appropriate.

Supporting Information

- Caffeine citrate 10mg/mL solution for injection manufactured from Martindale is licensed for oral use and healthcare professionals should follow the instructions for use in the SPC and PIL.
- Manufactured specials of caffeine citrate 10mg/mL oral solution may be available, and Trusts can consider purchasing these if deemed necessary. Trusts should follow the relevant local policies and guidelines if using a manufactured special.
 - Any decision to prescribe an unlicensed medicine must consider the relevant guidance and/or local governance procedures. Please see the links below for further information.
 - [Prescribing unlicensed medicines](#), General Medical Council (GMC),
 - [The supply of unlicensed medicinal products](#), Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA)
 - [Professional Guidance for the Procurement and Supply of Specials](#), Royal Pharmaceutical Society

Enquiries

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