

Medication Recall Notice

Actavis Totowa

BACKGROUND

Actavis Totowa, a manufacturer of generic medications, has issued a voluntary recall of all products previously produced at its plant due to concerns surrounding product stability. This recall affects close to 30 medications, including many used in the workers' compensation industry. The recall is part of a self-imposed remediation plan, which was developed following a 2008 Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) inspection at Actavis Totowa. The inspection was performed by the New Jersey District Office of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

Be advised that you may receive approval requests for replacement prescriptions for the affected products. There are other commercially available alternatives from manufacturers not affected by this recall.

PREPARATION

We have provided our clients a list of injured workers that may have been affected by this recall.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on information currently available, we recommend relying on the dispensing retail pharmacy to conduct the actual recall.

- There are no actions for PMSI customers to take at this time.
- Each retail pharmacy should directly notify their affected customers to whom they may have dispensed this medication.
- Each retail pharmacy should remove the affected medications from their shelves to prevent any further dispensing of the recalled medications.

PMSI'S MAIL ORDER PHARMACY RESPONSE

At this time, PMSI's proprietary in-house Mail Order Pharmacy is conducting a recall inspection of the identified medications and will take the appropriate actions to protect injured workers who may have received these medications through our mail order program. Injured workers affected by this recall will be directly notified by our staff, advised of the recall, and instructed to either destroy their stock or surrender them to their prescriber. In the case of certain narcotics, they will need to be re-issued a new prescription.

NEXT STEPS

This PMSI drug advisory reflects information currently released by Actavis Totowa. If and when the FDA issues an official recall, PMSI will publish and distribute an updated drug advisory communication that reflects this information. Any questions or concerns should be directed to the manufacturer at 800.344.3881.

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