IMPORTANT NOTICE

Humulin[®] U Ultralente[®] and Humulin[®] L Lente[®] Insulins will no longer be available





Eli Lilly and Company is discontinuing Humulin L Lente and Humulin U Ultralente. Based on current patient demand, Lilly anticipates that both products will be available through December 31, 2005. If you use either of these products, please contact your physician so that appropriate changes can be made to your insulin therapy.

(See back for more details.)

Starting or changing insulin should be done cautiously and only under medical supervision.



What you should know about the discontinuation of Humulin® U Ultralente® and Humulin® L Lente®

Why is Eli Lilly and Company discontinuing the production of Humulin Ultralente and Humulin Lente insulins?

After thoughtful consideration, Eli Lilly and Company has decided to discontinue Humulin Ultralente and Humulin Lente insulins. Use of these longer-acting insulins has been declining due to newer insulin therapies that have increased the number of treatment options for patients. It is currently estimated that less than 2% of the patients with diabetes that use insulin in the U.S. will be impacted by this discontinuation.

How long will Humulin U and Humulin L be available?

Based on current patient demand, Lilly anticipates that current stock of Humulin U and Humulin L insulins will be available in pharmacies until the end of 2005.

What should I do if I am currently using Humulin U or Humulin L?

Lilly is committed to helping patients transition as smoothly as possible to an alternative insulin therapy, regardless of whether the new therapy is a Lilly insulin or not. Please see your physician so that appropriate changes can be made to your therapy.

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For more information, please call 1-800-LillyRx (1-800-545-5979) Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Eastern Time.