

Dear Healthcare Providers

At 6:30 a.m. eastern standard time on Thursday Oct 18th, Pfizer announced that it will be returning the worldwide rights for Exubera (insulin human [rDNA origin]) Inhalation Powder) back to Nektar, the company from which we licensed the inhaled insulin technology. What this means is that Pfizer will support current Exubera patients for the next 3 months as they transition to other glucose-lowering therapies, but after that we will no longer promote or sell Exubera.

Despite our persistent efforts to market Exubera and the focus and dedication of our colleagues, the product continues to fall short of our expectations and those of our customers. We'd like to emphasize that this is a decision to stop marketing Exubera, it is not a product recall, nor the result of any specific safety signal that would put patients at risk. While Exubera remains a safe and effective medicine, it simply has not met the needs of prescribing physicians in managing patients with diabetes.

We recommend that you do not start any new patients on Exubera. For those patients currently using Exubera, we encourage you to transition these patients to alternative glucose lowering medications. Exubera will be available for the next 3 months to facilitate this transition process.

The following guidelines are provided to facilitate the transition off Exubera and onto other therapeutic options:

- For patients receiving Exubera as their only insulin, it is recommended that Exubera be replaced with a long-acting insulin which should be dosed according to the respective prescribing information for that product;
- For patients using Exubera in addition to a long-acting insulin, it is recommended that Exubera be replaced with an alternative short-acting mealtime insulin in addition to continuing the long-acting insulin. The following dosing table offers guidance on equivalent mg/IU dosing:

Approximate mg-to-IU equivalents

EXUBERA Dose (mg)	Approximate SC regular insulin dose (IU)
1 mg	3 IU
2 mg	6 IU
3 mg	8 IU
4 mg	11 IU
5 mg	14 IU
6 mg	16 IU
7 mg	19 IU
8 mg	22 IU
9 mg	24 IU
10 mg	27 IU

Other non-insulin options with complimentary mechanisms of action can be considered where applicable.

In all situations, you are encouraged to use your clinical judgment when determining the most appropriate treatment options for your patients.

A "Dear Patient" letter will be sent to all patients who call in to the Exubera Call Center. This letter will outline the rationale for the decision and will emphasize that there is no ongoing safety issue. Patients will be advised to speak to their physicians for further instructions. A copy of the "Dear Patient" letter has been included with this letter so that you are aware of information we are providing to patients who request it. In addition, should you wish to provide a copy of the letter to your patients, you may print a copy from the PDF found in the Professional Resources tab in the Exubera section of PfizerPro.com.

Pfizer remains committed over the long-term to diabetes treatment, an area of huge unmet medical need. While we are returning all Exubera rights to Nektar, we have several compounds for the treatment of diabetes and weight loss which we continue to develop. And of course, Pfizer remains committed to helping diabetes patients and their doctors manage the many conditions that are associated with diabetes, including heart disease and diabetic peripheral neuropathy with medicines such as Lipitor, Caduet and Lyrica. Furthermore, as a committed partner in diabetes care, we will continue to support the many educational activities that we have committed to so far through the American Diabetes Association, the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists, the European Association for the Study of Diabetes and the International Diabetes Federation.

If you require further information, please contact:

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Please also refer to the Exubera prescribing information enclosed with this letter.

Sincerely

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