Backorder of Atracurium 10 mg/mL Injection

The Issue:

There is a backorder of atracurium 10 mg/mL injection. The only Canadian manufacturer of this product is Sandoz and we are unable to get further supply until 2013.

Key messages:

- Physicians should be aware of the shortage of atracurium 10 mg/mL injection.
- We currently have stock, but with current usage patterns we expect to deplete our inventory within the next 8 weeks.
- The suggested formulary alternative, as clinically appropriate is cisatracurium 2 mg/mL injection

*Alternative(s) are provided for clinician information and may not be appropriate for all clinical situations. The information provided does not replace clinician judgement.

Action:

Please post this notice in your area and ensure all staff is informed about the change.

Contact:

Please contact your site pharmacy department with any questions or concerns.

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