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National Ethambutol Shortage

Please be advised there is an impending shortage of Ethambutol 100 mg and 400 mg tablets. **The length of the shortage is not known at this time.** The shortage is due to a limited supply of active product ingredients.

The Ministry of Health has initiated ordering restrictions for health units on all publicly-funded ethambutol products at this time to ensure there is no stockpiling of the medication.

Durham Region Health Department has confirmed there **is some supply of Ethambutol across the Region** and will continue to monitor the situation closely.

Please be judicious when ordering ethambutol for your active tuberculosis cases.

We will provide additional updates as more information becomes available.

For further information, please contact the infectious diseases intake line at:

905-668-7711 ext. 2996 or 1-800-841-2729 ext. 2996

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If you prefer to receive this information in an electronic format please submit your request to healthresources@durham.ca

If you require this information in an accessible format, contact 1-877-777-9613.