



Compliance Alert

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Express Scripts – Urgent –Emerging Therapeutic Issues Communication

Recently, Qualitest Pharmaceuticals issued a voluntary nationwide recall for **Accusure Insulin Syringes**. The syringes in these lots have been found to have needles which can detach from the syringe. When the needle becomes detached from the syringe during use, it can become stuck in the insulin vial, push back into the syringe, or remain in the skin after an injection.

Consumers who have any recalled Accusure Insulin Syringes (31 G-Short Needle-either ½ cc or 1 cc, lot number 6JCB1 or lot number 7CPT1) should stop using them and contact Qualitest at 1-800-444-4011 for product replacement instructions. The lot number can be found on the white paper backing of each individual syringe.

If you have additional questions, you can call Qualitest at 1-800-444-4011 for more information. Additional information can be found on FDA's Medwatch website at: www.fda.gov/medwatch. You can also call FDA at 1.888.INFO.FDA (automated) or 301.796.3400.

Express Scripts' response:

- In an effort to inform members of this recall, we have identified members who have received prescription for Accusure Syringes manufactured by Qualitest within the past 120 days. A communication summarizing the information provided by the manufacturer will be sent to these members.
- The above communication will be distributed for those clients enrolled in the member portion of the Emerging Therapeutic Issues Patient Safety Program.
- Express Scripts will also distribute letters to all patients who have filled a prescription for a recalled syringes using Express Scripts Home Delivery services.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your Group Benefit Services Account Manager at 1.800.638.6085.

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