



## National Drug Shortage

### Lidocaine 1% with epinephrine 1:100,000 - vials

**The issue:**

Both drug companies producing this product are having manufacturing delays on this product.

- Pfizer brand: Backordered - no stock. Anticipated availability spring 2018
- Fresenius Kabi brand: **Supply intermittent as production has not been able to meet increased demand due to Pfizer backorder.**

**NH Stock Status:**

- NH stock of lidocaine 1% with epinephrine 1:100,000 will deplete intermittently as stock is only available for purchase/distribution in limited quantities as product becomes available.
- *Supply will be intermittent for the next several months!!*

**Practice Implications:**

- **Clinicians should be aware of potential for stock out situations monthly and need to utilize alternate products\***

Lidocaine 2% with epinephrine 1:100,000 - vials continue to be fully available!

Lidocaine 1% plain  
Lidocaine 2% plain

Bupivacaine HCl 0.25% with epinephrine 1:200,000  
Bupivacaine HCl 0.5% with epinephrine 1:200,000

\*Alternates are provided for clinical information and may not be relevant in all clinical situations.  
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