



Drug Shortage Update:

Nystatin 100,000 units/g ointment and cream (15g and 30g tubes)

The Issue: Nystatin 100,000 units/g ointment (30g tubes) and cream (15g and 30g tubes) are on backorder. The ointment is anticipated to be on a long term backorder with an undetermined resupply date. The cream tubes may be available by mid December. A small supply of the ointment and cream tubes remains in NH stock. NH pharmacy was able to obtain some supply of bulk cream product to help supplement our current supply.

Clinical Use: Topical antifungal used for various cutaneous and mucocutaneous fungal infections.

Practice Implications: Clinicians should be aware of the shortage and select alternatives as clinically appropriate if supply depletes. For sites with the bulk cream product available, pharmacy will dispense in smaller quantities (15g aliquots) for inpatient orders.

Formulary Alternatives*:

- Clotrimazole 1% topical cream
- Ketoconazole 2% topical cream

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