





## Vitamin B6 (Pyridoxine) Injection 100 mg/mL x 30 mL

**The Issue:** All NH stock of vitamin B6 (pyridoxine) 100 mg/mL x 30 mL vials are expiring on Feb 29, 2020. The sole source vendor has indicated that new stock will be available in mid-March 2020.

**NH Stock Status:** Vitamin B6 100 mg/mL x 30 mL vials are stocked in NH hospitals and health centres to treat neurological toxicities caused by isoniazid overdose as per BC Drug and Poison Control Information Centre's (BC DPIC) recommendations.

BC Drug and Poison Control Information Centre is recommending that BC hospitals that carry vitamin B6 100 mg/mL x 30 mL vials do not discard expired stock, but rather keep stock in current locations, and in the rare event it is needed, use until the vendor is able to supply.

Clinicians can call BC DPIC if they have any questions regarding using expired vitamin B6 vials at 1-800-567-8911.

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