



Drug Discontinuation

Erythromycin 333 mg SR Oral Tablets (ERYC®)

The Issue:

Erythromycin 333 mg SR oral tablets (ERYC®) have been discontinued in Canada, and there are no other solid oral erythromycin dosage forms currently available. NH has low stock remaining.

Practice Implications:

Staff and clinicians should be aware of this drug discontinuation and potential alternative formulary options.

Formulary Alternatives*:

- **oral macrolide antibiotics:**
 - azithromycin, clarithromycin
- **injectable macrolide antibiotics:**
 - erythromycin, azithromycin
- **Specific indications:**
 - preterm premature rupture of membranes (PPROM):
 - oral azithromycin (NH order set to be updated)
 - gastroparesis:
 - domperidone, metoclopramide

Date: May 26, 2023

Drug Shortage Resolution	
Drug Discontinuation	√
Medication Change	
Best Practice	

For the information of physicians, nurses, and pharmacists.

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