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## Shortages May Continue for Amphetamine/Dextroamphetamine Combination Salt Drugs

Intermittent drug shortages of amphetamine/dextroamphetamine combination salt tablets (generic Adderall) have been ongoing for months. According to recent reports, this shortage may continue through March of 2023.

### What This Means

As a provider, you may be contacted by your patients or pharmacies if the medication is out of stock and they are unable to dispense amphetamine/dextroamphetamine tablets.

If your patient cannot find amphetamine/dextroamphetamine tablets at their pharmacy, you may need to prescribe a different medication. Because amphetamine/dextroamphetamine is a DEA Schedule 2 controlled substance, a pharmacist cannot alter the name of the drug prescribed on the prescription. You may need to coordinate care with the pharmacist to cancel the original prescription and write a new one. You may also ePrescribe (if authorized by DEA) an alternative medication to meet our member's needs.

### Alternative Medications

Below is a list of covered alternative medications to treat Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder:

- amphetamine-dextroamphetamine ER (generic Adderall XR); limited supply as well
- atomoxetine capsule
- clonidine ER tablet
- dexamethylphenidate tablet
- dexamethylphenidate ER capsule
- dextroamphetamine ER capsule
- dextroamphetamine 5 mg and 10 mg tablets
- guanfacine ER tablet
- methylphenidate ER capsule, solution, tablet

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