



To: Members of the Catholic Health Medical Staff

From: Richard Geisler, Clinical Pharmacy Manager

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Re: Injectable Hydralazine shortage

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We are currently unable to purchase injectable hydralazine due to a manufacturer issue. The shortage is expected to last into December. CHS sites will be depleted of their supply within the next few weeks (site specific due to use & quantity on hand). There is not a direct alternative, oral hydralazine remains available. Other potential injectable options depending upon patient circumstances include: IV labetalol, IV enalaprilat, continuous infusion of calcium channel blocker (nicardipine). Sublingual clonidine may also be a consideration. Nitroglycerin IV or ointment may be another alternative.