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IMPORTANT RECALL INFORMATION

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

We are sending you information about Metformin Hydrochloride Extended-Release 750 mg tablets that may be valuable to you.

On January 4, 2021, the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) published a notice regarding an expanded recall of Metformin Hydrochloride Extended-Release 750 mg tablets manufactured by Nostrum Laboratories, Inc. **This recall was issued because an unexpected impurity was found in these products that could be a health hazard or safety risk to plan members using product affected by this recall.**

Our records show you may have received a prescription for this medicine recently from your retail pharmacy.

This recall affects lot number MET200501 exp. July 2022.

Consistent with the FDA's guidance, to avoid interruption in therapy, you should not return the product until after you have either received a replacement product or an alternative treatment. Once you receive the replacement product or alternative treatment you can then return the recalled product to your pharmacy.

The FDA recommends that consumers should continue taking metformin tablets even after recalls occur, until they consult with their health care professional to obtain replacement or alternative treatment. Patients with type 2 diabetes could face dangerous health risks if they stop taking their prescribed metformin.

Please call your health care professional right away for advice if you may be using affected product or if you do not know if you used affected product. Your health care professional is familiar with your medical history and can suggest the best treatment option for you.

Please contact the pharmacy that filled your prescription for more information including return instructions.

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For more information, please call Nostrum Laboratories, Inc. at 1-816-308-4941, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM (CT) or email quality@nostrumpharma.com. You may also call the FDA consumer inquiry line toll-free at 1-888-INFO-FDA (1-888-463-6332) or visit www.fda.gov.

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- Esta información está disponible en otros idiomas. Por favor llame a nuestro departamento de servicios al cliente al número gratuito que aparece en su tarjeta de identificación. Los usuarios de equipo teleescritor (TTY) deben llamar al 1-800-863-5488.

Sincerely,

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