Please see the announcement from CDC that the FDA has announced a shortage of Rifampin, and that CDC has supplies of Rifampin 300 mg tablets available in the TB Drug Stockpile for emergency distribution. The FDA drug shortage page has more details for each manufacturer of Rifampin (link below) or here: FDA Drug Shortages. Note there are three manufacturers, and each is showing different information about their reasons for shortage and anticipated return to supply. You should check the FDA Drug Shortages page frequently for updates. I also know that several local programs had difficulties getting Rifapentine before the holidays, and please note this new shortage of Rifampin is in addition to the ongoing challenges with Rifapentine.

Check your supply and anticipated need for Rifampin immediately, and check with your normal distributor(s) or pharmacy(s) to see how this shortage will affect your ability to order Rifampin. If you anticipate any shortage, please let me know and I can assist with requesting a shipment of Rifampin from CDC's stockpile to your health department. Please route any requests or questions to me (not directly to CDC officers) so I can coordinate the necessary forms with CDC.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please let me know and I'll do my best to help answer them. I'm sorry this is my first outreach in 2022, but hopefully this shortage resolves quickly and we all move through it smoothly.



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