



24/7 Illinois Perinatal HIV Hotline | .800.439.4079

GIVE BIRTH TO A FUTURE WITHOUT HIV/AIDS

Emergency Pharmacy Support for Pregnant People with HIV & Exposed Newborns

Purpose:

The 24/7 Illinois Perinatal HIV Hotline and Mother and Child Alliance (MACA) have partnered with Walgreens/C&M Specialty Pharmacy to offer emergency support for the provision of pediatric HIV prophylactic medication. This support aims to ensure that all newborns with HIV exposure are discharged from the hospital with a 2-week supply of Zidovudine syrup, as recommended, since this medication is often not available at local pharmacies. This support may also be used for infants discharged on other pediatric HIV medications. This service will be useful for hospitals without outpatient pharmacies that are challenged to dispense the medication at discharge. Hospitals are encouraged to plan for obtaining Zidovudine syrup as soon as they are notified of the presentation of a laboring pregnant patient with HIV in order to avoid unnecessary delays. Medication will be sent either to the hospital or the patient home at no cost to the patient.

Please note that as of November 2021, Aetna Better Health is not a preferred Walgreens partner so other options should be explored for obtaining medications. If no other option is available, patients in need of medications who have Aetna Better Health can be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Procedure:

Call Walgreens/C&M Specialty Pharmacy directly using the contact information below:

Walgreens/C&M Specialty Pharmacy
4339 DiPaolo Center, Glenview, IL 60025
Monday – Friday: 8am – 5pm (normal business hours)
Main#: (847) 299-1920 or Toll Free#: (888) 399-1920
Fax# (888) 499-1940
E-scribe: Walgreens C&M 13832

All orders will be expedited to arrive within 24-48 hours of when the order has been received. Please speak with the pharmacist if the medication is needed sooner than 24 hours and outside the Chicago-land area.

Key Walgreens Staff:

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