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PRESS RELEASE: THERE MAY BE A SHORTAGE OF THE ANTI-EPILEPTIC DRUG CELONTIN FROM AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER 2021

Vancouver, BC: There may be a shortage of the anti-epileptic drug Celontin (Methsuximide) that will begin in early August 2021 and last until the end of September 2021. Celontin is primarily used to treat Absence Seizures and is often used when other medications fail. Please note that a generic substitute of Celontin is not available.



Reports for CELONTIN CAP 300MG

Brand name CELONTIN CAP 300MG	Shortage reports					
Company Name ERFA CANADA 2012 INC	Brand name	Packaging Size ↓	Status ↑	Date Created ↓	Date Updated ↓	Reports
Drug Identification Number 00022802	Discontinuation reports					
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If you take Celontin, it is important for you to talk with your health care provider to ensure that you will have a plan in case of the drug shortage.

Celontin should not be stopped suddenly. If you have an interruption or reduction in your Celontin regimen, you may experience breakthrough seizures, even if you have been seizure free for some time.

If you discover that you will not have a sufficient supply of Celontin during the drug shortage, you and your health care provider should discuss a plan for a slow withdrawal of Celontin or a temporary substitution of a different anti-epileptic drug.

About the BC Epilepsy Society:

The BC Epilepsy Society is a provincially incorporated charitable organization and a federally registered non-profit organization that provides information, advocacy, and support to the over 50,000 people living with epilepsy in BC and their families and seeks to raise the awareness of epilepsy around the world. If you would like to learn more about seizures and epilepsy; find out more about the BC Epilepsy Society and the programs and services that we offer; or receive support for yourself or a loved one living with epilepsy, please visit www.bcepilepsy.com or contact us at 604-875-6704 or at info@bcepilepsy.com.

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