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**Subject:** UPDATE: Rifampin supply - action may be needed

Dear Colleagues,

**We have been notified that FDA will be updating their drug shortages website to announce a temporary national shortage of rifampin at: <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/drugshortages/>.**

CDC's DTBE manages a TB Emergency Drug Stockpile (TEDS) that includes rifampin as part of its inventory.

Rifampin is available as direct assistance [DA] at no cost to interested TB programs that are directly funded under Cooperative Agreements **PS20-2001** and **PS18-1801**.

**DTBE will prioritize release of rifampin to programs with patients being treated for TB disease who are at risk of treatment interruption because of the shortage.**

**Rifampin will be released in order of expiration date and availability.**

<u>LOT NO.</u>	<u>DRUG</u>	<u>MOU</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>EXPIRATION</u>	<u>REMAINING</u>
3185930	Rifampin	CAP	300mg, 60s	01/31/2022	107 bottles
3185931	Rifampin	CAP	300mg, 60s	01/31/2022	141 bottles
3185933	Rifampin	CAP	300mg, 60s	01/31/2022	2632 bottles
3187555	Rifampin	CAP	300mg, 60s	4/30/2022	3840 bottles
3187559	Rifampin	CAP	300mg, 60s	4/30/2022	6246 bottles
3187560	Rifampin	CAP	300mg, 60s	4/30/2022	2316 bottles

To request medication, please email the following information to DTBE project officers Tracina Cropper ([tcc3@cdc.gov](mailto:tcc3@cdc.gov)) and Bruce Bradley ([aei0@cdc.gov](mailto:aei0@cdc.gov)), and include your DTBE project officer on the cc line:

1. Justification providing assurance that drugs will be used in treating TB patients and that your jurisdiction has sufficient patient volume for the drugs to be used by their expiration date.

**\*\*\*Rifampin expiring 1/31/2022 will be prioritized for overnight shipping.**

2. Information to ensure secure receipt and storage of TB drugs - Point of contact information (Name, Telephone number, Email) and Shipping address.

3. Quantity requested – request amounts in unit of issue stated above (i.e., bottles)

Additionally, within a week of your email request to project officers, a direct assistance (DA) request should be submitted as an amendment in GrantSolutions by attaching the request letter to the amendment. DA request letters should be addressed to the *Grants Management Specialist in the Office of Grants Services, and signed by both the PI/PD and business official*. DA requests should include all information listed above. In addition, DA requests should include number of TB cases and completion of Treatment [COT] percentage as reported through the National TB Surveillance System.

**Our goal is to ensure patients with TB disease do not have treatment interrupted.**

Please contact your DTBE Project Officer or Tracina Cropper ([tcc3@cdc.gov](mailto:tcc3@cdc.gov)) if you have questions. Please continue to report problems obtaining TB drugs or diagnostics to NTCA using the standardized form at <http://www.tbcontrollers.org/>

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