

Updates to SureScripts Dispense Units

On August 5, NM will eliminate the use of generic quantity units for medication prescriptions, such as bottle, inhaler or tube to comply in advance of SureScripts requirements that go into effect on September 1. All providers who order medications using SureScripts will need to transition to the use of new units, such as milliliters or grams, or the prescriptions will fail to send.

NOTE: Only outpatient orders will be affected.

Reference the Common Size Report to Determine Quantity

The Common Sizes report near the bottom of the order will list the available quantities. Providers and ordering clinicians will reference this report and enter one of the listed sizes in the Quantity field of the order.

albuterol 90 mcg/actuation inhaler

Product: **ALBUTEROL SULFATE 90 MCG/ACTUATION INH HFAA**

Sig Method: Specify Dose, Route, Frequency | Use Free Text | Taper/Ramp | Combination Dosage

Dose: 2 puff | 1 puff | 2 puff | 1-2 puff

Prescribed Dose: 2 puff
Prescribed Amount: 2 puff

Route: Inhalation | Inhalation

Frequency: EVERY 4 HOURS PRN | 4x Daily | Q4H PRN | Q6H PRN

PRN reasons: ☒ wheezing
PRN comment:

Duration: Doses | Days

Starting: 7/7/2021 | Ending:

Dispense: Days/Fill: Full (0 Days) | 30 Days | 90 Days

Quantity: 6.7 g | Refill: 1

☐ Dispense As Written

Mark long-term: ☐ ALBUTEROL SULFATE

Patient Sig: inhale 2 puffs into the lungs every 4 (four) hours as needed for wheezing.
+ Add additional information to the patient sig

Class: Print | E-prescribe | OTC | Phone In | Print | No Print | Sample | Fax | Historical Med

Report: **Common Sizes:**
Inhaler: 6.7 g | CANISTER: 6.7 g, 8 g, 18 g | DOSE-PACK: 1 each

Note to Pharmacy:

NOTE: The Common Size report will not display for capsules or tablets.

CRITICAL STEP: Existing preference lists will not be updated automatically. Any previously saved values that referenced now unsupported units will force the user to populate the missing fields before signing the order. Refill orders that previously used a generic quantity unit will also need to be updated.

