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TO: NYSCOPBA Chief Sector Stewards

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RE: Empire Plan's Notice of a Voluntary Recall of Mibelas 24 Fe Tablets

-PLEASE POST-

On May 26, 2017, Lupin Pharmaceuticals issued a voluntary recall of Mibelas 24 Fe tablets (available in cartons (NDC 68180-0911-13) containing three pouches, each pouch containing a wallet of 28 tablets (NDC 68180-0911-11) due to a packaging error that results in the oral contraceptive tablets' reversal of its weekly tablet orientation. **As a result, women could be at risk for unintended pregnancy, representing a potential health hazard or safety risk.**

This recall affects lot number L600518 exp. 05/31/18. Members who have a script for this product should check the lot number on their package (located on the right hand side of the manufacturer's carton or on the back side of the wallet). If product is not from lot number L600518, it is not affected by the recall. If it is from L600518, contact the pharmacy from which the script was filled for further instructions.

For those who obtained the script from either the CVS Mail Service, CVS Specialty or CVS retail pharmacies, be advised that CVS/Caremark is actively sending letters to both physicians and any members who may have received a prescription for this product. For any member who did not purchase the script through CVS (mail service, specialty of CVS pharmacies), contact the pharmacy from which you made your product purchase and they will assist you with further direction.

Affected members should also call their doctor right away for advice and suggestions for a better treatment option.

More information on the recall is available through Lupin Pharmaceuticals at 1-866-587-4617 or the U.S. Food and Drug Administration at 1-888-463-6332 (or visit their website at www.fda.gov/cder).