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## Provider Memorandum

### RE: Provider Notice – Formulary Update

On April 1, 2020 the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) requested manufacturers withdraw all prescription and over-the-counter ranitidine formulations from the market. In response, NextLevel Health, in accordance to the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS), has **removed all formulations of ranitidine** from the formulary.

Formulary histamine<sub>2</sub> receptor antagonists (H<sub>2</sub>RAs) includes:

- Cimetidine
- Famotidine
- Nizatidine

Providers can review FDA's full press release by visiting:

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/fda-requests-removal-all-ranitidine-products-zantac-market>

For any additional questions and/or concerns, please contact the NextLevel Health Pharmacy Department at 833-275-6547.

NextLevel Health is committed to improving the health of our Members and providing access to necessary medications.

Sincerely,

NextLevel Health Pharmacy Department