

Responsibilities of All Parties in the [®]Teva-Fentanyl Patch Return Program



For the [®]Teva-Fentanyl Patch Return Program to be successfully implemented in a community, patients and healthcare professionals need to collaborate. The following is a quick reference chart of the responsibilities of the different groups involved in this process.

Shared Responsibilities of all Groups Involved in the [®] Teva-Fentanyl Patch Return Program	
<p>Physicians</p>	<p>Patient education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss with patients the importance of the [®]Teva-Fentanyl Patch Return Program for protecting the patient and the community; stress the importance of appropriate storage of patches <p>Prescriptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write the name and location of the dispensing pharmacy • Write “Patch 4 Patch” or “P4P” on the prescription • Fax the prescription to the pharmacy or phone the pharmacy to notify them of the written prescription if fax is not possible <p>Collaboration with pharmacists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with pharmacists to determine the best course of action with patients who are not returning some/all of their patches or if the patches are tampered with
<p>Pharmacist and Pharmacy Staff</p>	<p>Patient education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show how the [®]Teva-Fentanyl Patch Return Sheet is to be used and emphasize the importance of the patient returning it to the pharmacy when picking up their next supply of [®]Teva-Fentanyl patches • Communicate to the patient that no further patches will be dispensed if they do not return their used patches to the pharmacy <p>Return procedure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Returned patches are counted and inspected by pharmacy staff for any signs of tampering • Pharmacy staff documents the date and the number of patches returned in the patient’s file • Any suspicious activity is communicated to the prescriber • Returned patches are disposed of according to recommended drug disposal procedures <p>Collaboration with physicians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacy staff will notify the prescribing physician if they suspect diversion or when a patient fails to return used patches
<p>Patients</p>	<p>Return procedure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients to use the [®]Teva-Fentanyl Patch Return Sheet as instructed • Patients to bring the completed return sheets to the pharmacy when they require their next refill of [®]Teva-Fentanyl patches