**Did You Know?**

When treating seizures it is vital that the patient receives the same medication from the same manufacturer monthly in order to maintain the expected level of seizure control and side effects.*

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**Providers**

- Indicate on prescription with “for seizures” or “for epilepsy”
- Write or indicate Dispense As Written or “DAW”
- Talk to your Patients about the importance of their medication and how all pills may not be the same

**Pharmacists**

- Note Patient’s medical condition in the pharmacy profile
- Maintain the Patient on the same manufacturer when possible
- Notify the Patient and Provider when a manufacturer change may need to be made

**Patients**

- Notify your Provider of unusual seizure activity or breakthrough seizures
- Know the manufacturers of your medications. If your medications look different, talk to your Pharmacist before taking it
- Don’t wait until you are out of your medication to pick up or request a refill, this allows the necessary time for your Pharmacist to ensure your medications are in stock

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