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**Subject:** Information about NAMENDA (memantine HCl) tablets and NAMENDA XR (memantine HCl) extended-release capsules

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**From AgingCare.com:** Below is an important message from our partner which may be of value to you and your family.

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Dear Caregiver:

Forest Laboratories, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Actavis plc, plans to continue the sale of NAMENDA® (memantine HCl) tablets in accordance with a court order. Additionally, the oral solution of NAMENDA and once-daily NAMENDA XR® (memantine HCl) extended-release capsules remain available. Previously we had announced that we planned to discontinue the sale of NAMENDA tablets. Please [click here](#) for important information regarding the court order.

Both NAMENDA and NAMENDA XR are approved for the treatment of moderate to severe Alzheimer's disease (AD). NAMENDA XR is an extended-release formulation of NAMENDA. In addition to its convenient once-daily dosing, NAMENDA XR capsules can be opened and the contents sprinkled on applesauce for patients who have difficulty swallowing pills. In terms of cost, NAMENDA XR is priced at a 5% discount to the wholesale acquisition cost of NAMENDA. Physicians can transition patients from NAMENDA to NAMENDA XR the very next day. Please work with your healthcare provider to determine the appropriate treatment. Please see additional dosing information below and in the [full Prescribing Information](#).

Forest remains committed to making a difference in the lives of people with Alzheimer's disease. If you have any questions, please call our customer service department at 1 (800) 272-5525.

There is no evidence that NAMENDA XR® prevents or slows the underlying disease process in patients with Alzheimer's.

#### **Important Risk Information**

##### **Who should NOT take NAMENDA XR?**

NAMENDA XR should not be taken by anyone who is allergic (hypersensitive) to memantine, the active substance in NAMENDA XR, or who has had a bad reaction to NAMENDA XR or any of its ingredients.

##### **What should be discussed with the healthcare provider before taking NAMENDA XR?**

Before starting NAMENDA XR, talk to the healthcare provider about all of the patient's past and present medical conditions, including:

- Seizure disorders
- Difficulty passing urine
- Liver, kidney, or bladder problems

If the patient is taking other medications (including those without a prescription), ask the healthcare provider if NAMENDA XR is right for the patient.

- Certain medications, changes in diet, or medical conditions may affect the amount of NAMENDA XR in the body and possibly increase side effects.

##### **What are the possible side effects of NAMENDA XR?**

The most common side effects associated with NAMENDA XR treatment are headache, diarrhea, and dizziness. This is not a complete list of side effects.

**Please see full Prescribing Information, including Patient Information.**

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