IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS WHEN DISPENSING VENTOLIN HFA (ALBUTEROL SULFATE) INHALATION AEROSOL

Preferred formulary coverage on only 36% of commercial

formularies¹



- Must be stored with the mouthpiece down at all times, and the mouthpiece must remain down at all times when carried or transported²
- Must be primed (using 4 sprays) if dropped²
- Expires 12 months after removal from the moisture-protective foil pouch²
- You or the patient must remove the Ventolin HFA inhaler from the moisture-protective foil pouch and discard the pouch and desiccant²
- You or the patient must write the date the pouch was opened on the inhaler²
- You or the patient must also write the date (12 months after date opened) on which the Ventolin HFA inhaler should be discarded²
- Explain to the patient the differences between the multiple dates
- Ask patients how they ensure that the position of the Ventolin HFA inhaler remains stable and does not shift; offer suggestions, if needed



ProAir® HFA: designed with the pharmacist in mind

Educate your patients that **ProAir HFA:**

Most preferred formulary coverage—82% of commercial formularies¹

Is designed to be carried and stored*† in any position, without concerns about valve leakage^{3,4}

*Must be stored at room temperature (between 59°F and 77°F)⁶

†As with all albuterol HFA inhalers, ProAir HFA should always be actuated, primed, and used in an upright position.⁶

Has long-lasting 24-month efficacy and safety⁵

- Gives patients more time to use all 200 doses
- With a longer time-to-expiry, patients may have fewer copays









The difference is in the design



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