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Dear Pharmacist:

In today's tough economic environment, the cost of therapy can be a major concern for patients. Slo-Niacin[®] Tablets (polygel[®] controlled-release niacin) Dietary Supplement is an economical choice that has been trusted by healthcare professionals for more than 20 years. Slo-Niacin[®] offers multiple clinically demonstrated benefits – recent clinical trials have shown that when dosed and monitored appropriately, Slo-Niacin[®] can be complementary to statin therapy for cholesterol management.^{1,2} **Not all dietary supplement niacin products can deliver these benefits, so always specify Slo-Niacin[®].**

- Patented, polygel[®] controlled-release formula gradually releases niacin to help reduce the risk of flushing.
- Available in three strengths: 250 mg, 500 mg and 750 mg for dosing flexibility.

About Slo-Niacin[®]

Because Slo-Niacin[®] is a dietary supplement it is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease. Patients taking more than 500 mg niacin daily should only do so under the care and monitoring of a physician. Niacin may cause temporary flushing, particularly when beginning, increasing dosage or changing brands. Case reports of myopathy have been documented with the use of HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors in combination with lipid-altering doses of niacin therapy (≥ 1 gram of niacin per day). Abnormal liver function tests have been reported in persons taking daily doses of 500 mg or more of niacin.

Recommend Slo-Niacin[®] for patients requiring niacin therapy. If you would like to receive a copy of the SLIM study (Slo-Niacin[®] and atorvastatin treatment of lipoproteins and inflammatory markers in combined hyperlipidemia)², please contact Upsher-Smith Medical Information at medinfo@upsher-smith.com. For more information about Slo-Niacin[®] visit www.slo-niacin.com.

Sincerely,

UPSHER-SMITH LABORATORIES, INC.

Tina Fehr

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tina Fehr". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Sr. Product Manager

References:

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