

Methylphenidate extended release



There is a global shortage of extended-release methylphenidate

This means there may be times you won't be able to get your usual prescription of Concerta or Teva tablets.

You may need to talk to your doctor

If your prescribed strength is not available, you may need to talk to your doctor.

Your doctor can discuss your treatment options, including whether you should be prescribed a different brand or strength of methylphenidate.

Other types of methylphenidate are available, including long-acting, sustained-release, and immediate release options.

You may need to pay for an appointment.

When will methylphenidate extended release be back in stock?

Pharmac expects that the supply issues with the Teva and Concerta brands of methylphenidate will last for a while, potentially until the middle of next year.

Stay informed

Pharmac has a supply issue webpage which we will update as more information becomes available.

pharmac.govt.nz/methylphenidate



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