Oncologists' experiences with drug shortages

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Appendix 2 Survey items to ascertain experiences with drug shortages.

In the past 12 months, how, if at all, have shortages of the following drugs affected your ability to treat your patients with lung or colorectal cancer? If you have needed to use alternative treatments, please indicate the number of patients affected. (MARK ONE BOX IN EACH ROW; IF I have needed to I have needed to I have not been YOU USED OTHER TREATMENTS. use a less-effective affected by the I do not use use an equally-INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF effective alternative alternative shortage this drug PATIENTS AFFECTED) a. Cisplatin patients patients b. Etoposide patients patients c. Fluorouracil patients patients d. Leucovorin patients patients e. Paclitaxel patients patients f. Cyanocalbalamin (B12) patients patients injection g. Dexamethasone injection patients patients 2. If you have had experience with changes in treatment or delays due to drug shortages, please describe in more detail here

1. Drug manufacturers have alerted the FDA about shortages of a number of generic injectable drugs.