
CITY OF COLUMBUS - SOLE SOURCE INFORMATION FORM

TO ACCOMPANY LEGISLATION WHICH WAIVES
ANY PROVISIONS OF COLUMBUS CITY CODE CHAPTER 329.
(LIMIT YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS SHEET)

1. Verification of sole source: (Why no other individual or business entity is capable of supplying the needed item/service.)

- Sole source manufacturer/distributor.
- Sole distributor authorized for this territory.
- Patented product purchased for owner/developer.
- Sole company offering this unique service.
- Other:

2. Describe any effort to bid for alternate item (service or product) that is not provided by a sole source that would meet this need:

Nexplanon is the only birth control implant of its kind.

3. Describe efforts to determine/verify that the company is the sole source:

Nexplanon is a proprietary item and Merck is the sole manufacturer. There are only two (2) authorized distributors, CuraScript and Theracom, and pricing is consistent across them both.

4. Indicate how the price or fee structure was determined:

Supplier submitted pricing for the product requested.

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Approved By: Authorized Approval on Corresponding Legislative File

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Re: Nexplanon® (etonogestrel implant)

Nexplanon® (etonogestrel implant) (“NEXPLANON”) is marketed and distributed in the United States by Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp., a subsidiary of Merck and Co., Inc. Nexplanon is manufactured by N.V. Organon, also a subsidiary of Merck and Co., Inc.

There are only two authorized distributors for Nexplanon in the United States: CuraScript, Inc. and TheraCom, L.L.C./CVS Caremark, L.L.C. The price of Nexplanon is consistent across these two authorized distributors.

Sincerely,

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