# Xeris Pharmaceuticals Announces $0 Copay for Gvoke™ PFS for People With Diabetes

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CHICAGO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Mar. 26, 2020-- Xeris Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq: XERS), a specialty pharmaceutical company leveraging its novel formulation technology platforms to develop and commercialize ready-to-use injectable and infusible drug formulations, today announced a limited-time $0 copay offering for commercially eligible patients effective now through April 30, 2020 as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“In this time of uncertainty, people with diabetes need a glucagon product they can easily administer if their blood sugar goes severely low. Unfortunately, most people with diabetes on insulin either don’t have glucagon at home or have an antiquated glucagon kit that studies have shown very few people can correctly administer especially under duress. To quickly change this paradigm and relieve the stress of financial barriers, we are offering a $0 copay card through the end of April. Simply put, anyone with commercial insurance that gets a prescription for Gvoke PFS will pay $0 out of pocket,” said Paul R. Edick, Chairman and CEO of Xeris. “We are committed to ensuring as many people as possible can replace the antiquated glucagon kits and have access to Gvoke PFS, which is premixed and prefilled, so it’s ready to use and easy to administer.”

The $0 copay card is available to commercially insured patients, who may or may not have Gvoke PFS covered by their insurance plan*. If a prior authorization is required, the $0 copay offer can be applied to the prescription.

To access a digital copay card, please go to https://www.gvokeglucagon.com/savings-and-support.

Xeris is committed to making Gvoke PFS easier and more convenient with its availability for home delivery through PillPack by Amazon Pharmacy. Patients can request a prescription online through the Gvoke website, and pharmacists at PillPack by Amazon Pharmacy will reach out to their doctor for a prescription. Gvoke PFS will be shipped to their home at no additional cost. Please note, this option is currently available only for people with commercial insurance. Learn more at https://www.gvokeglucagon.com/ordering-gvoke

*Offer not valid for prescriptions reimbursed under Medicaid, a Medicare drug benefit plan, TRICARE, or other federal or state health programs (such as medical assistance programs).

**About Severe Hypoglycemia**

Hypoglycemic events of any severity are a daily concern for people with diabetes. Mild or moderate hypoglycemia can occur multiple times a month. Severe hypoglycemia is characterized by severe cognitive impairment, requiring external assistance for recovery, and can be extremely frightening for patients and caregivers. Severe hypoglycemia can result in cardiovascular disease, seizure, coma, and, if left untreated, death. These severe hypoglycemic events can occur multiple times a year. Such events require emergency assistance from another person or caregiver such as a family member, friend, or co-worker.

**About Glucagon**

Glucagon is a metabolic hormone secreted by the pancreas that raises blood glucose levels by causing the liver to rapidly convert glycogen (the stored form of glucose) into glucose, which is then released into the bloodstream. Glucagon and insulin are two critical hormones in a glycemic control system that keep blood glucose at the right level in healthy individuals. In people with diabetes who are dependent on insulin, this control system is disrupted, and insulin must be injected to avoid high levels of blood glucose (hyperglycemia). The opposite effect, or low blood glucose (hypoglycemia), is also prevalent in this population due to dysregulated glucagon secretion. Severe hypoglycemia is a serious condition and can lead to seizures, coma, potential brain injury and, if untreated, death.

Glucagon is the standard of care for treating severe hypoglycemia. According to the American Diabetes Association, glucagon should be prescribed for all individuals at increased risk of clinically significant hypoglycemia, defined as blood glucose <54 mg/dL (3.0 mmol/L). Leveraging XeriSol™, one of Xeris’ two proprietary formulation technology platforms, Xeris has the potential to provide the first ready-to-use, room-temperature stable liquid glucagon for use by people with diabetes and other conditions to prevent or manage various forms of hypoglycemia and improve glucose control.

**About GVOKE™**

Xeris received U.S. regulatory approval in 2019 for GVOKE™ (glucagon) injection, its ready-to-use, room-temperature stable liquid glucagon for the treatment of severe hypoglycemia in pediatric and adult patients with diabetes ages 2 years and above, and continues to evaluate additional applications to address needs in severe hypoglycemia and related conditions. Important Safety Information and a link to full prescribing information may be found at https://www.gvokeglucagon.com

**About Xeris Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**

Xeris (Nasdaq: XERS) is a specialty pharmaceutical company delivering innovative solutions to simplify the experience of administering important therapies that people rely on every day around the world. With a novel technology platform that enables ready-to-use, room-temperature stable formulations of injectable and infusible therapies, the company is advancing a portfolio of solutions in various therapeutic categories, including its first commercial product, Gvoke™. Its proprietary XeriSol™ and XeriJect™ formulation technologies have the potential to offer distinct advantages ove conventional product formulations, including eliminating the need for reconstitution, enabling long-term, room-temperature stability, significantly reducing injection volume, and eliminating the requirement for intravenous (IV) infusion. With Xeris’ technology, new product formulations are designed to be easier to use by patients, caregivers, and health practitioners and help reduce costs for payers and the healthcare system.

Xeris is headquartered in Chicago, IL. For more information, visit www.xerispharma.com, or follow us on Twitter, LinkedIn or Instagram.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

Any statements in this press release about future expectations, plans and prospects for Xeris Pharmaceuticals, Inc., including statements regarding the timing of the commercial launch of Gvoke HypoPen™, the availability of supply of Gvoke PFS for the balance of 2020, the availability of Gvoke PFS for home delivery, the acceptance of Gvoke™ in the marketplace, and other statements containing the words “plans”, “expects”, “anticipates”, "will," "would," "continue," and similar expressions constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including, without limitation, the regulatory approval of its product candidates, its ability to market and sell its products, if approved, and other factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of the most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as discussions of potential risks, uncertainties, and other important factors in Xeris’ subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Any forward-looking statements contained in this press release speak only as of the date hereof, and Xeris expressly disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

The Company intends to use the investor relations portion of its website as a means of disclosing material non-public information and for complying with disclosure obligations under Regulation FD.

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