

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

January 12, 2023

Johnson & Johnson Joaquin Duato Chairman of the Board and CEO 1 Johnson And Johnson Plaza, New Brunswick, NJ 08933

Dear Chairman Duato,

Our constituents across Massachusetts are experiencing a shortage of infant and children's Tylenol and Motrin products as this challenging cold and flu season rages on, compounded by a surge of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and COVID-19.

As the manufacturer of both of these products, Johnson & Johnson has a critical role to play in addressing this shortage. Families in the Commonwealth are relying on access to ibuprofen and acetaminophen in order to care for their babies. In recent public statementsⁱ, Johnson & Johnson reported an increase in production to meet growing demand. However, our constituents are still visiting store after store only to find empty shelvesⁱⁱ.

It is essential that information on supply and production is made available to Members of Congress in order to understand the scale and scope of the 'spot shortage' impacting our constituents. The requested information are key data points for collaborating with hospitals, community health centers, and other health care providers to support families with children in our districts. While medical providers are doing their best to triage in-person care and provide guidance on at-home remedies for monitoring and treatment, there is no doubt that these medicines are essential.

We request an urgent response to the following questions, submitted in writing to Congress no later than January 20th.

- On what date did Johnson & Johnson become aware internally of the pending Infant & Children's Tylenol and Motrin shortage in North America?
- On what date did Johnson & Johnson provide voluntary notice to U.S. Food and Drug Administration on this shortage?
- How much has production increased? By what date will that increase in production match demand?
- By what date will normal availability of product in Massachusetts be restored?
- Please provide any data that Johnson and Johnson has on regional and city-by-city impact in an aim of further understanding the scale and scope of this shortage.

We appreciate your cooperation and await your prompt response.

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¹ https://www.parents.com/is-there-a-children-s-tylenol-shortage-here-s-what-to-know-6830960

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