

## Forfivo XL® (bupropion) – First-time generic

- On September 27, 2018, Alvogen and Wockhardt launched authorized generic versions of Almatica Pharma's Forfivo XL (bupropion) extended-release tablets.
- Forfivo XL is indicated for the treatment of major depressive disorder (MDD), as defined by the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual.
- Bupropion is also available generically as an immediate-release <u>tablet</u> and generic versions of several other extended-release formulations (<u>Wellbutrin SR<sup>®</sup></u>, <u>Wellbutrin XL<sup>®</sup></u>, and <u>Zyban<sup>®</sup></u>). In addition, extended-release bupropion is available as the branded product <u>Aplenzin<sup>®</sup></u>.
  - Immediate-release bupropion and extended-release Wellbutrin SR are indicated for MDD.
  - In addition to MDD, other extended-release formulations of bupropion (ie, Aplenzin, Wellbutrin XL) are also approved for the prevention of seasonal major depressive episodes in patients with a diagnosis of seasonal affective disorder.
  - Zyban is only indicated as an aid to smoking cessation treatment.
- Forfivo XL carries a boxed warning for suicidal thoughts and behaviors.



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