

## PACIRA – SHORT SUMMARY

Opioids add risk, impact recovery, and impose clinical and financial burdens. Overreliance on opioids—particularly in the postsurgical setting—can have unintended downstream consequences for patients, communities, and our nation’s overall societal well-being. Opioid addiction and reoccurrence are preventable. Non-opioid pain management treatments offer quality, evidence-based alternatives to opioid pain management.

Pacira Biosciences is the leading provider of non-opioid pain management and regenerative health solutions dedicated to advancing and improving patient outcomes. Our mission at Pacira is to offer an opioid alternative to as many patients as possible to reduce exposure and dependence on opioids. Unfortunately, patients are most often exposed to opioids after surgery, resulting in increased risk of addiction. This is preventable and there are non-opioid alternatives available such as EXPAREL.

EXPAREL is a non-opioid numbing medication (anesthetic) that is injected at the surgical site during surgery and numbs just the surgical site for about 3 days after the surgery. This has made it possible to greatly reduce, or in some cases eliminate the need for opioids after surgery. EXPAREL has been used in more than 10 million patients since 2012 and has been shown to:

- Significantly reduce opioid requirements while providing significant pain control<sup>1,2</sup>
- Reduce opioid-related complications<sup>3</sup>
- Enable faster functional recovery<sup>4</sup>
- Reduce length of hospital stay<sup>3</sup>
- Allow for shift of procedures to outpatient settings<sup>5</sup>
- Help reduce costs when used in multimodal pain management<sup>6,7</sup>

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