



# Compounded GLP-1s: What the FDA Wants You to Know

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## Can Semaglutide Be Compounded?

When a drug is in short supply, compounders might be able to whip up a version of it if they meet the strict requirements of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic (FD&C) Act. As of May 2023, both Ozempic and Wegovy are on the FDA's Drug Shortages list.

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## Concerns About Compounded Semaglutide?

The FDA has received reports of adverse events from patients using compounded semaglutide. If an approved drug is available, patients should stick to it. Remember, the FDA doesn't review compounded versions for safety, effectiveness, or quality. Also, watch out: some compounders might be using salt forms of semaglutide, like semaglutide sodium or semaglutide acetate. These aren't the same as the base form used in approved drugs. The FDA has yet to find a legitimate reason to use these salt forms under FD&C regulations.

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## Patient Information from Peninsula Compounding Pharmacy

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### How Long Does Compounded Semaglutide and Tirzepatide Last?

The shelf life is 3-5 months. We recommend ordering a month's supply at a time.

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### Does the Facility Test Stability on Semaglutide and Tirzepatide?

Absolutely. Our partner compounding facility, registered with the FDA and adhering to cGMP standards, runs stability studies on every batch. A qualified third-party lab performs these studies.

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## Is Each Batch Tested for Potency and Sterility?

Yes, every single batch gets tested independently for sterility and potency.

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## Where Do the Active Ingredients Come From?

Our facility directly sources its active ingredients from FDA-registered manufacturers or US-based vendors. A validated third-party lab then verifies each lot to ensure it's the real deal.

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## Storage Requirements?

Both Semaglutide and Tirzepatide should be kept refrigerated after you receive them.

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## Why Use Pure Semaglutide Base Instead of the Salt or Acetate Form?

The salt and acetate forms aren't part of any FDA-approved drug, so they're not available for compounding.

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## Do I Need a Prescription?

Yes, a valid prescription is required to get compounded Semaglutide or Tirzepatide.

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## How Do I Place an Order?

Your provider can call, e-script, fax, or write a prescription for you. If they don't specify "Brand Only," we can fill your order with the compounded version. Ask your provider to note "Compounded Version OK" on the prescription to avoid any mix-ups.

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## When Will I Get My Medication?

Expect to receive your meds within 1-5 business days after processing.

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## Pricing

Prices start at \$199 monthly and may increase depending on the dosage.

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## Can the pharmacy inject my medication?

Yes, we can inject your medication for you each week. There's a \$25 administration charge with each injection.