

Unapproved medicine (Section 29)



Supply issue

What's happening?

Because of a supply issue, the New Zealand-approved version of your medicine is not available.

Different brand, same medicine

Your pharmacist will have given you a different brand of the same medicine. It contains the same active ingredient in the same quantity as the New Zealand-approved brand.

While this medicine has not been approved for use in New Zealand, it has been approved for use in other countries.

The packaging and inactive ingredients (excipients) may be different.

Informed consent

Your prescriber and pharmacist have extra steps they have to follow because this medicine isn't approved, including talking to you about what this means, including getting your informed consent.

More about unapproved medicines

You can find more information about unapproved medicines at: www.healthify.nz/unapproved-medicines

We're sorry for the disruption

We work hard to stop supply issues affecting people, but unfortunately we have been unable to avoid this one.

More information

We usually have updates about supply issues on our website.

www.pharmac.govt.nz/notices

No data? No problem!

- Go to www.zero.govt.nz
- Select Healthify or Pharmac
- Browse the site without using any mobile data.