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Proposal to fund NovoRapid FlexPen (insulin aspart)

PHARMAC is seeking feedback on a proposal to list insulin aspart (NovoRapid FlexPen) in Section B and Part II of Section H of the Pharmaceutical Schedule from 1 December 2014 through a provisional agreement with Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals Limited.

In summary, from 1 December 2014, insulin aspart (NovoRapid FlexPen) would be listed in the community and DHB hospitals at the same price and subsidy as the currently listed presentations of insulin aspart.

More information about the proposals can be found on the following pages.

Feedback sought

PHARMAC welcomes feedback on this proposal. To provide feedback, please submit it in writing by **Monday, 20 October 2014** to:

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All feedback received before the closing date will be considered by PHARMAC's Board (or Chief Executive acting under delegated authority) prior to making a decision on this proposal.

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We are not able to treat any part of your feedback as confidential unless you specifically request that we do, and then only to the extent permissible under the OIA and other relevant laws and requirements. If you would like us to withhold any commercially sensitive, confidential proprietary, or personal information included in your submission, please clearly state this in your submission and identify the relevant sections of your submission that you would like withheld. PHARMAC will give due consideration to any such request.

Details of the proposal

NovoRapid FlexPen

NovoRapid FlexPen (insulin aspart) would be listed in Section B and Part II of Section H of the Pharmaceutical Schedule at the following price and subsidy from 1 December 2014 (ex-manufacturer, excluding GST):

Chemical	Presentation	Brand	Pack size	Price and subsidy
Insulin aspart	Inj 100 units per ml, 3 ml	NovoRapid FlexPen	5	\$51.19

NovoRapid FlexPen would have the same certified exception requirement as the other presentations of insulin aspart so it could be dispensed in a three-month lot.