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May 2021 Section H of the Pharmaceutical Schedule – Update

The Section H Update summary is provided to DHB hospital pharmacists as a preview of the changes that will be announced in the next Update to Section H of the Pharmaceutical Schedule, and take effect from the beginning of next month.

For any questions about these listing changes, or the Pharmaceutical Schedule in general, please contact us at enquiry@pharmac.govt.nz.

Pharmaceutical	Change
Adalimumab inj 20 mg per 0.4 ml syringe and 40 mg per 0.8 ml syringe (Humira) and 40 mg per 0.8 ml pen (HumiraPen)	amended restriction criteria
Arginine tab 100 mg and cap 500 mg	new listing
Bendamustine hydrochloride (Ribomustin) inj 25 mg and 100 mg vial	addition of new restriction criteria
Bupivacaine hydrochloride with and fentanyl (Bupafen NRFit) inj 1.25 mg with fentanyl 2 mcg per ml, 15 ml syringe	new listing (p'code 2594196)
Carglumic acid tab disp 200 mg	new listing
Clonazepam (Rivotril) inj 1 mg per ml, 1 ml ampoule	to be delisted 1 October 2021
Coenzyme Q10 cap 120 mg and 160 mg	new listing
Escitalopram tab 10 mg and 20 mg	<p>Brand change Escitalopram (Ethics) – new listing and addition of HSS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> tab 10 mg (p'code 2349310) tab 20 mg (p'code 2349302) <p>Escitalopram-Apotex to be delisted 1 October 2021</p>
Etanercept (Enrel) inj 25 mg autoinjector, 25 mg vial, 50 mg autoinjector, 50 mg syringe	amended restriction criteria

Pharmaceutical	Change
Fluconazole inj 2 mg per ml, 100 ml vial	Brand change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fluconazole-Baxter – new listing and transfer of HSS (p'code 2599465) Fluconazole-Clarix to be delisted 1 November 2021
Hypromellose (Methopt) eye drops 0.5 %, 15 ml	increase price
Infliximab (Remicade) inj 100 mg	amended restriction criteria
Ketamine (Ketamine-Baxter) inj 100 mg per ml, 2 ml ampoule	to be delisted 1 September 2021
Lenalidomide (Revlimid) cap 5 mg, 10 mg, 15 mg and 25 mg	amended restriction criteria
Levocarnitine tab 500 mg, cap 250 mg and oral liquid 500 mg per 10 ml	new listing
Mixed salt solution for eye irrigation (e.g. Balanced Salt Solution) eye irrigation solution calcium chloride 0.048% with magnesium chloride 0.03%, potassium chloride 0.075%, sodium acetate 0.39%, sodium chloride 0.64% and sodium citrate 0.17%, 500 ml bag	new listing
Norethisterone (Primolut N) tab 5 mg	Pack size change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30 tab pack – new listing (p'code 2607441) 100 tab pack to be delisted 1 February 2022
Omeprazole tab dispersible 10 mg	new listing
Riboflavin tab 100 mg and cap 100 mg	new listing
Secukinumab (Cosentyx) inj 150 mg per ml, 1 ml prefilled syringe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> new 1 inj pack size listing (p'code 2609665) amended restriction criteria
Sodium cromoglicate aerosol inhaler 5 mcg per dose	delisting delayed until 1 November 2021
Taurine cap 1,000 mg and powder	new listing

Pharmaceutical	Change
Terazosin (Apo-Terazosin) tab 2 mg and 5 mg	to be delisted 1 August 2021