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## **Proposal to remove 'stat' dispensing from various pharmaceuticals not proceeding**

PHARMAC would like to advise all interested parties that we will not be progressing a proposal to remove the 'three months dispensed all-at-once' ('stat') dispensing rule from various pharmaceuticals.

The proposal is the subject of a consultation letter dated 9 January 2015 which can be found on PHARMAC's website at <http://www.pharmac.health.nz/news/consultation-2015-01-09-dispensing/>

As notified on 16 February 2015, a decision on the proposal was delayed while we considered various issues raised in consultation responses. After carefully considering a range of factors, including the consultation responses, we have decided not to progress the proposal at this time. This means that stat dispensing will continue to apply to all the pharmaceuticals included in the proposal.

If you have any questions about this notification, please contact Geraldine MacGibbon, Senior Therapeutic Group Manager/Team Leader, by email at: [geraldine.macgibbon@pharmac.govt.nz](mailto:geraldine.macgibbon@pharmac.govt.nz).