

28 February 2023

## Tender results

Pharmac has resolved to award tenders for Principal Supply Status for some products included in the 2020/21 Invitation to Tender, dated 2 November 2020 and the 2022/23 Invitation to Tender, dated 31 October 2022.

Some of the Pharmaceuticals that will be delisted when the period of Principal Supply Status commences may be subject to existing listing contracts with Pharmac. Suppliers of Pharmaceuticals that are subject to such contracts should continue to supply their Pharmaceuticals under those contracts. Pharmac will continue to subsidise those Pharmaceuticals accordingly until such time as those Pharmaceuticals are delisted.

### Notification of Product Changes (NOPC) forms

Please note that for any changes (price change, pack size change, new listing etc) to be effective in the Pharmaceutical Schedule (including Section H), suppliers are required to submit a Notification of Product Changes (NOPC) form to Pharmac, the Pharmacy Guild and the NZULM by:

- **For new listings**, by 4pm on the 12<sup>th</sup> of March 2023 or the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to listing, whichever is earlier
- **For price changes**, by 4pm on the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the date of subsidy change

Pharmac cannot list a product (and Pharmacies cannot claim) without this information. More information about this process, and a copy of the NOPC form can be found on our website – <https://pharmac.govt.nz/medicine-funding-and-supply/make-an-application/pharmconnect-make-a-medicine-funding-application/process-for-notification-of-product-changes/>

Suppliers are required to ensure that a Pharmacode has been obtained from the Pharmacy Guild of New Zealand (<http://www.pgnz.org.nz/about-us-1/Pharmacode>) and that a CTPP code has been obtained from the New Zealand Universal List of Medicines (<http://www.nzulm.org.nz/sponsors>). Pharmacodes and CTPP codes must be provided to Pharmac by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the date of listing, or 10 business days following the market notification date (whichever is earliest). Pharmac cannot list a product (and Pharmacies cannot claim) without the correct Pharmacode.

## 2020/21 Tender – Principal Supply Status applies until 30 June 2024

### Hospital Pharmaceutical tenders – Section H of the Pharmaceutical Schedule

The decisions were as follows:

1. *Tenders awarded to currently listed Pharmaceuticals where at least one other brand is listed.*

Chemical name	Presentation; Pack size and type	Current pack price	New pack price	Principal Supply brand (Supplier)	DV limit	Listing date	Principal Supply date	Brand (Supplier) affected by delisting
Oxaliplatin <sup>1</sup>	Inj 5 mg per ml, 20 ml vial; 1 vial pack	\$46.32	\$33.35	Alchemy Oxaliplatin (Alchemy)	5%	1 May 2023	1 October 2023	Oxaliplatin Accord (Accord)
<sup>1</sup> The price and subsidy of Oxaliplatin (PCT only – Specialist) in Section B of the Pharmaceutical Schedule will also be amended to the above prices from 1 May 2023. The subsidy of Oxaliplatin inj 1 mg for ECP (Baxter) will also be amended from \$0.48 per 1 mg to \$0.35 per 1 mg from 1 May 2023								

## 2022/23 Tender – Principal Supply Status applies until 30 June 2026

### Community Pharmaceutical tenders – Section B of the Pharmaceutical Schedule

The decisions were as follows:

2. *Tenders awarded to currently listed Pharmaceuticals where no other brand is listed*

Chemical name	Presentation; Pack size and type	Current pack price	New pack price	Principal Supply brand (Supplier)	Date of subsidy change	Principal Supply date
Anastrozole	Tab 1 mg; 30 tablet blister pack	\$4.55	\$4.39	Anatrole (Viatris)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Betahistine dihydrochloride	Tab 16 mg; 100 tablet blister pack	\$4.62	\$3.70	Serc (Viatris)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023

Chemical name	Presentation; Pack size and type	Current pack price	New pack price	Principal Supply brand (Supplier)	Date of subsidy change	Principal Supply date
Bicalutamide	Tab 50 mg; 28 tablet blister pack	\$4.21	\$4.18	Binarex (Rex Medical)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Exemestane	Tab 25 mg; 30 tablet blister pack	\$14.50	\$9.86	Pfizer Exemestane (Pfizer)	1 June 2023	1 November 2023
Finasteride	Tab 5 mg; 100 tablet blister pack	\$4.81	\$4.79	Ricit (Rex Medical)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Flecainide acetate	Tab 50 mg; 60 tablet blister pack	\$19.95	\$19.95	Flecainide BNM (Boucher)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Hydroxyurea [hydroxycarbamide] <sup>2</sup>	Cap 500 mg; 100 capsule blister pack	\$23.82	\$20.72	Hydroxycarbamide (Devatis)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Leflunomide	Tab 10 mg; 30 tablet bottle	\$6.00	\$6.00	Arava (Sanofi)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Leflunomide	Tab 20 mg; 30 tablet bottle	\$6.00	\$6.00	Arava (Sanofi)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Levonorgestrel	Subdermal implant (2 x 75 mg rods); 1 implant pack	\$106.92	\$106.92	Jadelle (Bayer)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Mebeverine hydrochloride	Tab 135 mg; 90 tablet blister pack	\$9.20	\$8.50	Colofac (Viatrix)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Nitrofurantoin <sup>2</sup>	Cap modified-release 100 mg; 100 capsule bottle	\$86.40	\$81.20	Macrobid (Te Arai)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Rifampicin	Cap 150 mg; 100 capsule blister back	\$58.54	\$58.54	Rifadin (Sanofi)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Rifampicin	Cap 300 mg; 100 capsule blister pack	\$122.06	\$122.06	Rifadin (Sanofi)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Rifampicin	Oral liq 100 mg per 5 ml; 60 ml bottle pack	\$12.60	\$12.60	Rifadin (Sanofi)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Tacrolimus	Oint 0.1%; 30 g tube OP	\$33.00	\$33.00	Zematop (Douglas)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023

Chemical name	Presentation; Pack size and type	Current pack price	New pack price	Principal Supply brand (Supplier)	Date of subsidy change	Principal Supply date
Tamoxifen citrate <sup>2</sup>	Tab 10 mg; 60 tablet blister pack	\$15.00	\$15.00	Tamoxifen Sandoz (Sandoz)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Tamoxifen citrate <sup>2</sup>	Tab 20 mg; 60 tablet blister pack	\$6.65	\$5.32	Tamoxifen Sandoz (Sandoz)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Tobramycin	Solution for inhalation 60 mg per ml, 5 ml; 56 plastic ampoule/nebuliser	\$395.00	\$395.00	Tobramycin BNM (Boucher)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023

<sup>2</sup>This product will be supplied at the Price from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month prior to the listing date, as per Schedule 4 clause 2.3(c)(ii) of the 2022/23 Invitation To Tender.

**3. Tenders awarded to pharmaceuticals where at least one other brand is listed**

Chemical name	Presentation; Pack size and type	Current pack price	New pack price	Principal Supply brand (Supplier)	Listing date	Principal Supply date	Brand (Supplier) affected by delisting
Ambrisentan	Tab 5 mg; 30 tablet bottle	\$1,550.00	\$200.00	Ambrisentan Viatris (Viatris)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023	Mylan (Viatris)
Ambrisentan	Tab 10 mg; 30 tablet bottle	\$1,550.00	\$200.00	Ambrisentan Viatris (Viatris)	1 July 2023	1 December 2023	Mylan (Viatris)

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### 4. Tenders awarded to Pharmaceuticals where no other brand is listed

Chemical name	Presentation; Pack size and type	Current pack price	New pack price	Principal Supply brand (Supplier)	DV limit	Date of price change	Principal Supply date
Anastrozole	Tab 1 mg; 30 tablet blister pack	\$4.55	\$4.39	Anatrole (Viatris)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Betahistine dihydrochloride	Tab 16 mg; 100 tablet blister pack	\$4.62	\$3.70	Serc (Viatris)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Bicalutamide	Tab 50 mg; 28 tablet blister pack	\$4.21	\$4.18	Binorex (Rex Medical)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Cefotaxime	Inj 1 g vial; 10 vial carton	\$45.00	\$38.98	DBL Cefotaxime (Pfizer)	5%	1 July 2023	1 November 2023
Exemestane	Tab 25 mg; 30 tablet blister pack	\$14.50	\$9.86	Pfizer Exemestane (Pfizer)	5%	1 June 2023	1 November 2023
Finasteride	Tab 5 mg; 100 tablet blister pack	\$4.81	\$4.79	Ricit (Rex Medical)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Flecainide acetate	Tab 50 mg; 60 tablet blister pack	\$19.95	\$19.95	Flecainide BNM (Boucher)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Hydroxyurea [hydroxycarbamide] <sup>3</sup>	Cap 500 mg; 100 capsule blister pack	\$23.82	\$20.72	Hydroxycarbamide (Devatis)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Leflunomide	Tab 10 mg; 30 tablet bottle	\$6.00	\$6.00	Arava (Sanofi)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Leflunomide	Tab 20 mg; 30 tablet bottle	\$6.00	\$6.00	Arava (Sanofi)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Levonorgestrel	Subdermal implant (2 x 75 mg rods); 1 implant pack	\$106.92	\$106.92	Jadelle (Bayer)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023

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Mebeverine hydrochloride	Tab 135 mg; 90 tablet blister pack	\$9.20	\$8.50	Colofac (Viatris)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Methotrexate <sup>3, 4</sup>	Inj 100 mg per ml, 50 ml vial; 1 vial pack	\$79.99	\$67.99	Methotrexate Ebewe (Sandoz)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Metronidazole	Inj 5 mg per ml, 100 ml; 10 bag pack	\$27.50	\$18.00	Baxter Metronidazole (Baxter)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Nitrofurantoin <sup>3</sup>	Cap modified-release 100 mg; 100 capsule bottle	\$86.40	\$81.20	Macrobid (Te Arai)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Rifampicin	Cap 150 mg; 100 capsule blister back	\$58.54	\$58.54	Rifadin (Sanofi)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Rifampicin	Cap 300 mg; 100 capsule blister pack	\$122.06	\$122.06	Rifadin (Sanofi)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Rifampicin	Inj 600 mg vial; 1 powder for injection vial	\$134.98	\$134.98	Rifadin (Sanofi)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
Rifampicin	Oral liq 100 mg per 5 ml; 60 ml bottle pack	\$12.60	\$12.60	Rifadin (Sanofi)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
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Tamoxifen citrate <sup>3</sup>	Tab 10 mg; 60 tablet blister pack	\$15.00	\$15.00	Tamoxifen Sandoz (Sandoz)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
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Tobramycin	Solution for inhalation 60 mg per ml, 5 ml; 56 plastic ampoule/nebuliser	\$395.00	\$395.00	Tobramycin BNM (Boucher)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023
<p><sup>3</sup>This product will be supplied at the Price from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month prior to the listing date, as per Schedule 4, clause 2.3 (c)(ii) of the 2022/23 Invitation To Tender.</p> <p><sup>4</sup>The price and subsidy of methotrexate (PCT only – Specialist) in Section B of the Pharmaceutical Schedule will also be amended to the above prices from 1 July 2023.</p>							

*5. Tenders awarded to pharmaceuticals where at least one other brand is listed*

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Ambrisentan	Tab 10 mg; 30 tablet bottle	\$1,550.00	\$200.00	Ambrisentan Viatris (Viatris)	5%	1 July 2023	1 December 2023	Mylan (Viatris)

## Tender declines - Products where no tender is to be awarded for Principal Supply Status

Pharmac has resolved not to award tenders for Principal Supply Status for the following products listed in the 2022/23 Invitation to Tender, dated 31 October 2022.

Chemical name	Line item
Benzatropine mesylate	Inj 1 mg per ml, 2 ml ampoule
Cyproterone acetate with ethinyloestradiol	Tab 2 mg with ethinyloestradiol 35 mcg
Glycagon hydrochloride	Inj 1 mg syringe kit
Metaraminol tartrate	Inj 1 mg per ml, 1 ml
Metaraminol tartrate	Inj 1 mg per ml, 10 ml
Noradrenaline	Inj 0.1 mg per ml, 100 ml bag
Noradrenaline	Inj 0.12 mg per ml, 100 ml bag
Noradrenaline	Inj 0.16 mg per ml, 50 ml syringe
Tacrolimus (widened access)	Oint 0.1%, 30 g

For products included in the 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/2023 Invitation to Tender where no announcement has yet been made, either a decision is still pending subject to Pharmac Board (or its delegate) approval. We will keep you informed of any updates regarding such tender products as decisions are made.

If you have any queries regarding this notification, please contact Pharmac on 0800 66 00 50.