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May 2015 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch

This document is provided to pharmacists as an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **May 2015** Update to the Pharmaceutical Schedule. Please notify PHARMAC (0800 66 00 50) if you want to change or remove your contact details.

New listings

- Abiraterone acetate (Zytiga) tab 250 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy-Specialist, wastage claimable (p'code 2453517)
- Amoxicillin (Amoxicillin Actavis) grans for oral liq 125 mg per 5 ml – up to 200 ml available on a PSO, wastage claimable (p'code 2478188)
- Amoxicillin (Amoxicillin Actavis) grans for oral liq 250 mg per 5 ml – up to 300 ml available on a PSO, up to 10 x the maximum PSO quantity for RFPP, wastage claimable (p'code 2478196)
- Clobetasol propionate (Clobetasol BNM) crm 0.05% (p'code 2473119) and oint 0.05% (p'code 2473127), 30 g OP
- Epoetin alfa [erythropoietin alfa] (Eprex) inj 8,000 iu in 0.8 ml, syringe (p'code 2478641) and 40,000 iu in 1 ml syringe (p'code 2478668) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy, Brand Switch Fee payable, wastage claimable, Sole Subsidised Supply
- Escitalopram (Air Flow Products) tab 10 mg (p'code 2476738) and 20 mg (p'code 2476746)
- Glyceryl trinitrate (Nitrolingual Pump Spray) oral pump spray, 400 mcg per dose, 250 dose OP – up to 250 dose available on a PSO (p'code 2017962)
- Glycopyrronium bromide (Max Health) inj 200 mcg per ml, 1 ml ampoule – up to 10 inj available on a PSO (p'code 2442574)
- Octocog alfa [recombinant factor VIII] (Kogenate FS) inj 500 iu (p'code 2461803) and 1,000 iu vials (p'code 2461811) – Xpharm, new Pharmacodes
- Pharmacy services (BSF Actavis Risperdione) brand switch fee – may only be claimed once per patient (p'code 2478145)

Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations

- Amino acid formula (Elecare, Elecare LCP, Neocate Advance, Neocate Gold, Neocate LCP, and Vivonex Pediatric) powder – amended Special Authority criteria
- Carbohydrate (Polycal) powder – amended Special Authority
- Coal tar (Midwest) soln – amended restriction
- Erlotinib (Tarceva) tab 100 mg and 150 mg – amended Special Authority criteria
- Extensively hydrolysed formula (Pepti Junior Gold Karicare Aptamil) powder – amended Special Authority criteria
- Fat emulsion (Calogen), oil (MCT oil (Nutricia)) and oil (Liquigen) – amended Special Authority criteria
- Fat modified products (Monogen) powder – amended Special Authority criteria
- Gefitinib (Iressa) tab 250 mg – amended Special Authority criteria
- Gliclazide (Glizide) tab 80 mg – removal of Brand Switch Fee
- Menthol (PSM, MidWest) crystals – amended restriction
- Protein (Protifar, Resource Beneprotein and Promod) powder – amended Special Authority criteria

- Risperidone (Actavis) tab 0.5 mg, 1 mg, 2 mg, 3 mg and 4 mg – Brand Switch
Fee payable
- Trastuzumab inj 150 mg and 440 mg vial (Herceptin) and inj 1 mg for ECP (Baxter) – amended Special Authority criteria
- Vitamins – removal of alpha tocopheryl acetate note

Increased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Clofazimine	Cap 50 mg	Lamprene
Cycloserine	Cap 250 mg	King
Sulfadiazine sodium	Tab 500 mg	Wockhardt

Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands	Partially subsidised brands
Albendazole	Tab 400 mg	Eskazole	
Amlodipine	Tab 5 mg & 10 mg	Apo-Amlodipine, 250 tab pack size*	Apo-Amlodipine, 100 tab pack size
Emulsifying ointment	Oint BP, 500 g	AFT	
Ibuprofen	Tab long-acting 800 mg	Brufen SR	

* no subsidy changes for these brands for 1 May 2015.