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June 2017 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch

This document is provided to pharmacists as an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **June 2017** Update to the Pharmaceutical Schedule. Please notify PHARMAC (enquiry@pharmac.govt.nz) if you want to change or remove your contact details.

New listings

- Amoxicillin with clavulanic acid (Curam) grans for oral liq amoxicillin 50 mg with clavulanic acid 12.5 mg per ml, 100 ml OP – up to 200 ml available on a PSO (p'code 2327945)
- Celecoxib (Celecoxib Pfizer) cap 100 mg (p'code 2521164) and 200 mg (p'code 2521172)
- Testosterone (Androderm) patch 5 mg per day (p'code 2522403)

Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations

- Amiodarone hydrochloride (Lodi and Cordarone-X) inj 50 mg per ml, 3 ml ampoule – PSO quantity amended to 5 inj available on a PSO
- Amoxicillin with clavulanic acid (Augmentin) grans for oral liq amoxicillin 25 mg with clavulanic acid 6.25 mg per ml and grans for oral liq amoxicillin 50 mg with clavulanic acid 12.5 mg per ml – amended presentation description
- Dimethicone (healthE Dimethicone 4% Lotion) lotn 4%, 200 ml OP – amended Therapeutic subgroup
- Peptide-based oral feed (Peptamen Junior) powder – amended chemical name and Therapeutic subgroup resulting in new Special Authority required
- Sulphadiazine silver (Flamazine) crm 1%, 50 g OP – amended chemical name
- Temozolomide (Orion Temozolomide) cap 5 mg, 20 mg, 100 mg and 250 mg – amended Special Authority criteria
- Venlafaxine (Efexor XR) cap 37.5 mg, 75 mg and 150 mg – Special Authority removed
- Riluzole (Rilutek) tab 50 mg – removal of section 29 (from 12 May 2017)

Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands	Partially subsidised brands
Amiodarone hydrochloride	Inj 50 mg per ml, 3 ml ampoule	Lodi* Cordarone-X	
Leflunomide	Tab 10 mg & 20 mg	Apo-Leflunomide*	Arava
Nifedipine	Tab long-acting 10 mg	Adalat 10	
Nystatin	Vaginal crm 100,000 u per 5 g with applicator(s), 75 g OP	Nilstat	
Sulphadiazine silver	Crm 1%, 50 g OP	Flamazine	
Sumatriptan	Tab 50 mg & 100 mg	Apo-Sumatriptan*	Arrow-Sumatriptan
Venlafaxine	Tab 37.5 mg, 75 mg, 150 mg & 225 mg		Arrow-Venlafaxine XR
Venlafaxine	Cap 37.5 mg, 75 mg & 150 mg	Enlafax XR*	Efexor XR

* no subsidy changes for these brands for 1 June 2017.