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July 2021 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch

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This is an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **July 2021** Update to the Pharmaceutical Schedule.

The full Update will be available as a [PDF on our website](#). The changes will be published in the online Schedule around the 23rd of this month and are effective from next month.

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

New listings

- Amino acid formula (Alfamino) powder, 400 g OP – Special Authority – Hospital pharmacy [HP3] (p'code 2608227)
- Azithromycin (Zithromax) tab 500 mg – maximum 5 days treatment per prescription; can be waived by Special Authority, up to 8 tab available on a PSO (p'code 204218)
- Bromocriptine mesylate (Parlodel) tab 2.5 mg – subsidy by endorsement, S29 and wastage claimable (p'code 2612577)
- Flutamide (Prostacur) tab 250 mg – S29 and wastage claimable (p'code 2612232)
- Folic acid (Folic Acid Mylan) tab 5 mg (p'code 2607506)
- Lidocaine [lignocaine] hydrochloride (Lidocaine-Baxter) inj 2%, 5 ml ampoule (p'code 2599848) and 20 ml vial (p'code 2599864) – up to 5 inj available on an PSO
- Meningococcal B multicomponent vaccine (Bexsero) inj 175 mcg per 0.5 ml prefilled syringe, 1 pack – Xpharm and access criteria apply (p'code 2556251)
- Paracetamol (Panadol) tab 500 mg – blister pack, 50 tab pack – maximum of 300 tab per prescription can be waived by endorsement, up to 30 tab available on a PSO (p'code 2523388)
- Sodium picosulfate (Dulcolax SP Drop) oral soln 7.5 mg per ml, 30 ml OP – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2555611)

Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations

- Bisoprolol fumarate (Bisoprolol Mylan) tab 2.5 mg, 5 mg and 10 mg – brand switch fee removed
- Darunavir (Darunavir Mylan) tab 400 mg and 600 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy – brand switch fee removed
- Febuxostat (Adenuric) tab 80 mg and 120 mg – amended Special Authority criteria
- Ferrous sulfate (Ferrograd) tab long-acting 325 mg (105 mg elemental) – amended chemical name
- Imatinib mesylate tab 100 mg (Glivec), and cap 100 mg and 400 mg (Imatinib-Rex) – amended note

- Iron (as ferric carboxymaltose) (Ferinject) inj 50 mg per ml, 10 ml vial – chemical name change
- Omeprazole cap 20 mg (Omeprazole actavis 20) and cap 40 mg (Omeprazole actavis 40) – reinstate stat dispensing
- Oral feed (powder) (Sustagen Hospital Formula Active) powder (chocolate) and powder (vanilla) – removal of higher subsidy by endorsement

Increased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Candesartan cilexetil	Tab 4 mg	Candestar
Doxazosin	Tab 2 mg and 4 mg	Apo-Doxazosin
Enoxaparin sodium	inj 20 mg in 0.2 ml syringe, 40 mg per 0.4 ml syringe, 60 mg in 0.6 ml syringe, 80 mg in 0.8 ml syringe and 100 mg in 1 ml syringe Inj 120 mg in 0.8 ml syringe and 150 mg in 1 ml syringe	Clexane Clexane Forte
Ethinylloestradiol with norethisterone	Tab 35 mcg with norethisterone 500 mcg and 7 inert tab	Norimin
Oral feed (powder)	Powder (chocolate) and powder (vanilla), 840 g OP	Sustagen Hospital Formula Active**
Ornidazole	Tab 500 mg	Arrow-Ornidazole
Prednisone	Tab 1 mg, 2.5 mg, 5 mg and 20 mg	Apo-Prednisone

** increased subsidy and decreased price for 1 July 2021.

Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands	Partially subsidised brands
Acarbose	Tab 50 mg and 100 mg	Accarb Glucobay*	
Aprepitant	Cap 2 x 80 mg and 1 x 125 mg, 3 OP	Emend Tri-Pack	
Atorvastatin	Tab 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg and 80 mg	Lorstat	
Azacitidine	Inj 100 mg vial Inj 1 mg for ECP	Azacitidine Dr Reddy's Vidaza* Baxter	
Baclofen	Inj 2 mg per ml, 5 ml ampoule	Medsurge	

Betamethasone dipropionate with calcipotriol	Gel 500 mcg with calcipotriol 50 mcg per g, 60 g OP Oint 500 mcg with calcipotriol 50 mcg per g, 30 g OP	Daivobet	
Bisacodyl	Suppos 10 mg	Lax-Suppositories	
Bosentan	Tab 62.5 mg and 125 mg	Bosentan Dr Reddy's	
Candesartan cilexetil	Tab 16 mg and 32 mg	Candestar	
Cyclizine hydrochloride	Tab 50 mg	Nausicalm	
Dorzolamide with timolol	Eye drops 2% with timolol 0.5%, 5 ml OP	Dortimopt	
Filgrastim	Inj 480 mcg per 0.5 ml prefilled syringe	Nivestim	
Fluorouracil sodium	Crn 5%, 20 g OP	Efudix	
Hydrocortisone butyrate	Oint 0.1%, 100 g OP Milky emul 0.1%, 100 ml OP Scalp lotn 0.1%, 100 ml OP	Locoid Locoid Crelo Locoid	
Hydrocortisone with miconazole	Crn 1% with miconazole nitrate 2%, 15 g OP	Micreme H	
Lansoprazole	Cap 15 mg and 30 mg	Lanzol Relief	
Oxycodone hydrochloride	Cap immediate-release 20 mg	OxyNorm	
Solifenacin succinate	Tab 5 mg and 10 mg	Solifenacin Mylan	
Travoprost	Eye drops 0.004%, 2.5 ml OP	Travatan Mylan* Travopt*	
Valganciclovir	Tab 450 mg	Valganciclovir Mylan	
Zoledronic acid	Inj 4 mg per 5 ml, vial	Zoledronic acid Mylan	

* no subsidy changes for these brands for 1 July 2021.