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## December 2022 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch

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This is an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **December 2022** 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:enquiry@pharmac.govt.nz).

### New listings

- Abacavir sulphate with lamivudine (Abacavir/Lamivudine Viatris) tab 600 mg with lamivudine 300 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2632365)
- Aqueous cream (Evara) crm, 500 g (p'code 2555115)
- Atazanavir sulphate (Atazanavir Mylan) cap 150 mg (p'code 2640015) and cap 200 mg (p'code 2642794) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy
- Atenolol (Viatris) tab 50 mg (p'code 2627140)
- Bortezomib (DBL Bortezomib) inj 3.5 mg vial – PCT only – Specialist – Special Authority (p'code 2647583)
- Capsaicin (Rugby Capsaicin Topical Cream) crm 0.025%, 60 g OP – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy and s29 (p'code 2578409)
- Clopidogrel (Arrow - Clopid) tab 75 mg (p'code 2648954)
- Codeine phosphate (Noumed) tab 15 mg – safety medicine (p'code 2643200)
- Diltiazem (Diltiazem CD Clinect) cap long-acting 120 mg (p'code 2648172)
- Ibrutinib (Imbruvica) tab 140 mg (p'code 2606402) and tab 420 mg (p'code 2606410) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy
- Melphalan (Melpha) inj 50 mg – PCT only – Specialist (p'code 2647699)
- Meningococcal (groups A, C, Y and W-135) conjugate vaccine (MenQuadfi) inj 10 mcg of each meningococcal polysaccharide conjugated to a total of approximately 55 mcg of tetanus toxoid carrier per 0.5 ml vial – Xpharm (p'code 2649012)
- Oxytocin (Oxytocin GH) inj 10 iu per ml, 1 ml ampoule – up to 5 inj available on a PSO, s29 and wastage claimable (p'code 2649179)
- Paliperidone palmitate (Invega Trinza) inj 175 mg syringe (p'code 2515202), inj 263 mg syringe (p'code 2515210), inj 350 mg syringe (p'code 2515229) and inj 525 mg syringe (p'code 2515237) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy
- Paraffin (White Soft Liquid Paraffin AFT) oint liquid paraffin 50% with white soft paraffin 50%, 500 g OP (p'code 2639106)

- Posaconazole (Devatis) oral liq 40 mg per ml, 105 ml OP – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2645181)
- Ramipril (Tryzan) cap 1.25 mg (p'code 2635747), cap 2.5 mg (p'code 2635755), cap 5 mg (p'code 2635763) and cap 10 mg (p'code 2635771)
- Tobramycin (Viatris) inj 40 mg per ml, 2 ml vial – Subsidy by endorsement (p'code 2635690)
- Tolvaptan (Jinarc) tab 15 mg (p'code 2647494), tab 30 mg (p'code 2647508), tab 45 mg + 15 mg (p'code 2647451), tab 60 mg + 30 mg (p'code 2647478) and tab 90 mg + 30 mg (p'code 2647486) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy

### Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations

- Cinacalcet (Cinacalcet Devatis) tab 30 mg and 60 mg – amended Special Authority criteria
- Meningococcal (groups A, C, Y and W-135) conjugate vaccine (Menactra) inj 4 mcg of each meningococcal polysaccharide conjugated to a total of approximately 48 mcg of diphtheria toxoid carrier per 0.5 ml vial – amended restriction criteria and sole supply suspended
- Meningococcal C conjugate vaccine (Neisvac-C) inj 10 mcg in 0.5 ml syringe – amended restriction criteria
- Nadolol (Nadolol BNM) tab 40 mg and 80 mg – reinstate stat dispensing and removal of s29 and wastage claimable
- Pneumococcal (PCV13) conjugate vaccine (Prevenar 13) inj 30.8 mcg of pneumococcal polysaccharide serotypes 1, 3, 4, 5, 6A, 6B, 7F, 9V, 14, 18C, 19A, 19F and 23F in 0.5ml syringe – amended restriction criteria
- Progesterone (Utrogestan) cap 100 mg – addition of stat dispensing and Special Authority removed

### Increased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Aspirin	Tab 100 mg	Ethics Aspirin EC
Nortriptyline hydrochloride	Tab 10 mg and 25 mg	Norpress

### Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Bortezomib	Inj 1 mg for ECP	Baxter
Capsaicin	Crn 0.075%, 57 g OP	Rugby Capsaicin Topical Cream
Progesterone	Cap 100 mg	Utrogestan