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May 2023 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch

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This is an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **May 2023** 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

- Ambrisentan (Ambrisentan Viatris) tab 5 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2626446)
- Calcium folinate (Eurofolic) inj 10 mg per, 10 ml vial - PCT only – Specialist, s29 (p'code 2655985)
- Calcium folinate (Eurofolic) inj 10 mg per ml, 5 ml vial - PCT – Retail pharmacy – Specialist, s29 and wastage claimable (p'code 2655993)
- Calcium folinate (Eurofolic) inj 10 mg per, 10 ml vial - PCT only – Specialist and s29 (p'code 2655985)
- Ethinyloestradiol with norethisterone (Brevinor-1 28 Day) tab 35 mcg with norethisterone 1 mg and 7 inert tab, 112 tab pack, up to 84 tab available on a PSO (p'code 2656205)
- Hydroxocobalamin (Cobalin H) inj 1 mg per ml, 1 ml ampoule – s29 and wastage claimable up to 6 inj available on a PSO
- Nicotine (Habitrol) gum 2 mg (Fruit) 204 pack (p'code 2640589) – Up to 384 piece available on a PSO and nicotine will not be funded in amounts less than 4 weeks of treatment
- Nicotine (Habitrol) gum 4 mg (mint) 204 pack (p'code 2640570) – Up to 384 piece available on a PSO and nicotine will not be funded in amounts less than 4 weeks of treatment
- Oxaliplatin (Alchemy Oxaliplatin) inj 5 mg per ml, 20 ml vial – PCT only – Specialist (p'code 2654830)
- Pharmacy services (BSF Abacavir/Lamivudine Viatris) brand switch fee – may only be claimed once per patient (p'code 2655853)
- Phenytoin sodium (Dilantin Paediatric) oral liq 30 mg per 5 ml, 500 ml (p'code 2619466)
- Riboflavin (Puritan's Pride Vitamin B-2 100 mg) tab 100 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy – s29 and wastage claimable (p'code 2655977)

- Risdiplam (Evrysdi) powder for oral soln 750 mcg per ml, 60 mg per bottle, 80 ml OP – Xpharm – Special Authority (p'code 2649403)
- Tenofovir disoproxil (Tenofovir Disoproxil Viatris) tab 245 mg (300 mg as a maleate) (p'code 2638061)
- Vinorelbine (Vinorelbine Te Arai) cap 20 mg (p'code 2651912), 30 mg (p'code 2547880) and 80 mg (p'code 2651920)

Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations

- Abacavir sulphate with lamivudine (Abacavir/Lamivudine Viatris) tab 600 mg with lamivudine 300 mg – addition of brand switch fee
- Calcium carbonate tab eff 1.25 g (500 mg elemental) – amended subsidy by endorsement
- Erlotinib (Alchemy) tab 100 mg and 150 mg – removal of brand switch fee
- Fat – amended Special Authority criteria
- Fat supplement MCT emulsion, 250 ml, 4 OP –amended presentation description
- Fat modified products – amended Special Authority criteria
- Hydroxocobalamin (Vita-B12) inj 1 mg per ml, 1 ml ampoule – s29 and wastage claimable removed
- Misoprostol (Cytotec) tab 200 mcg – addition of wastage claimable
- Paracetamol oral liq 120 mg per 5 ml and 250 mg per 5 ml – addition of BSO for vaccinators
- Tranlycypromine sulphate (Parnate and Parnate S29) tab 10 mg – reinstate stat dispensing
- Vinorelbine inj 10 mg per ml, 1 ml vial (Navelbine and Vinorelbine Ebewe), inj 10 mg per ml, 5 ml vial (Navelbine, Vinorelbine Ebewe and Sagent), inj 1 mg for ECP (Baxter) and inj 50 mg for ECP (Baxter (Sagent)) – PCT only – Specialist restriction moved from chemical to presentation level

Increased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Lithium carbonate	Cap 250 mg	Douglas
Phenobarbitone sodium	Inj 200 mg per ml, 1 ml ampoule	Max Health

Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Oxaliplatin	Inj 1 mg for ECP	Baxter