

16 July 2010**August 2010 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch**

This document is provided to pharmacists as an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **August 2010** Update to the Pharmaceutical Schedule. Please notify PHARMAC (0800 66 00 50) to change or remove your contact details.

New listings

- Hydrocortisone with cinchocaine (Proctosedyl) oint (p'code 208388) and suppos (p'code 208396)
- Insulin glulisine inj 100 u per ml, 10 ml (Apidra) (p'code 2317109) and inj 100 u per ml, 3 ml disposable pen (Apidra SoloStar) (p'code 2316870)
- Danthron with poloxamer (Pinorax Forte) oral liq 75 mg with poloxamer 1 g per 5 ml - only on a prescription – only for the prevention or treatment of constipation in the terminally ill (p'code 2259443)
- Sodium citrate with sodium lauryl sulphoacetate (Micolette) enema 90 mg with sodium lauryl sulphoacetate 9 mg per ml, 5 ml – Only on a prescription (p'code 2262673)
- Ascorbic acid (Vitala-C) tab 100 mg – no more than 100 mg per dose, only on a prescription (p'code 2360853)
- Terazosin hydrochloride (Arrow) tab 1 mg (p'code 2354306) , 2 mg (p'code 2354314) and 5 mg (p'code 2354292)
- Amiloride with hydrochlorothiazide (Moduretic) tab 5 mg with hydrochlorothiazide 50 mg – Section 29 (p'code 2364433)
- Indapamide (Dapa-Tabs) tab 2.5 mg (p'code 2356406)
- Triclosan (healthE) soln 1 % - maximum of 500 ml per prescription, subsidy by endorsement (p'code: 2360128)
- Malathion (A-Lices) liq 0.5 % (p'code 2090902)
- Levonorgestrel (Jadelle) subdermal implant (2 x 75 mg rods) (p'code 2265532)
- Tamsulosin hydrochloride (Tamsulosin-Rex) cap 400 µg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2220512)
- Ceftriaxone sodium (Aspen Ceftriaxone) inj 1 g – subsidy by endorsement (p'code 2364425)
- Quetiapine (Dr Reddy's Quetiapine) tab 25 mg (p'code 2363283), 100 mg (p'code 2363291), 200 mg (p'code 2363305) and 300 mg (p'code 2363313)
- Risperidone (Dr Reddy's Risperidone) tab 0.5 mg (p'code 2356546)
- Azathioprine (Imuprine) tab 50 mg – Retail pharmacy – Specialist (p'code 2358735)
- Ipratropium bromide (Univent) nebuliser soln, 250 µg per ml, 1 ml (p'code 2154293) and nebuliser soln, 250 µg per ml, 2 ml (p'code 2154307) – available on a PSO

Changes to restrictions

- Insulin glargine inj 100 u per ml, 10 ml and 3 ml (Lantus), and 3 ml disposable pen (Lantus Solostar) – removal of Special Authority criteria and addition of prescribing note
- Ketone blood beta-ketone electrodes (Optium Blood Ketone Test Strips) test strip – removal of endorsement criteria and addition of maximum rule
- Sodium nitroprusside (Ketostix) test strip – addition of maximum rule
- All Hospital pharmacy [HP1] medicines – removal of Hospital Pharmacy [HP1] restriction
- Hospital pharmacy [HP1]-Specialist – replaced with Retail pharmacy-Specialist
- Hospital pharmacy [HP3] medicines except Special Foods – removal of Hospital pharmacy [HP3] restriction
- Hospital pharmacy [HP3]-Specialist – replaced with Retail pharmacy-Specialist
- WSO restriction – removal of WSO restriction and transfer to 'Only on a PSO'
- Furosemide (Urex Forte) tab 500 mg – removal of Section 29
- Diaphragm (Ortho All-flex and Ortho Coil) amended presentation descriptions

- Cabergoline (Dostinex and Arrow-Cabergoline) tab 0.5 mg – amended Special Authority criteria
- Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (Viread) tab 300 mg – amendment subsidy restriction
- Antiretrovirals – amendment of Special Authority criteria
- Adalimumab inj 40 mg per 0.8 ml prefilled pen (Humira) and syringe (HumiraPen) – amended Special Authority criteria
- Exemestane (Aromasin) tab 25 mg – removal of repeat rule

Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands	Partially subsidised brands
Ketone blood beta-ketone electrodes	Test strip, 10 strip OP	Optium Blood Ketone Test Strips	
Calcium carbonate	Tab 1.25 g (500 mg elemental) Tab 1.5 g (600 mg elemental)	Calci-Tab 500 Calci-Tab 600	
Enalapril	Tab 5 mg Tab 10 mg Tab 20 mg	m-Enalapril*, Arrow-Enalapril Arrow-Enalapril Arrow-Enalapril	m-Enalapril m-Enalapril
Cilazapril with hydrochlorothiazide	Tab 5 mg with hydrochlorothiazide 12.5 mg	Inhibace Plus	
Furosemide	Tab 500 mg	Urex Forte	
Methadone hydrochloride	Tab 5 mg	Methatabs	
Interferon beta-1 beta	Inj 8 million iu per 1 ml	Betaferon	
Cytarabine	Inj 1 mg for ECP Inj 100 mg intrathecal syringe for ECP	Baxter	
Irinotecan	Inj 20 mg per ml, 2 ml Inj 20 mg per ml, 5 ml Inj 1 mg for ECP	Camptosar Camptosar Baxter	

* only the 5 mg presentation of m-Enalapril will be fully funded from 1 August 2010. All presentations of m-Enalapril will be delisted from 1 November 2010

Increased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Imiglucerase	Inj 40 iu per ml, 200 iu vial	Cerezyme
Amiloride with frusemide	Tab 5 mg with frusemide 40 mg	Frumil
Povidone iodine	Oint 10 %, 25 g OP	Betadine
Azathioprine	Inj 50 mg	Imuran
Food thickener	Powder 380 g OP	Karicare Food Thickener

NB. For further details and magnitude of the above subsidy changes, please consult the online version of the Update to the Pharmaceutical Schedule at: www.pharmac.govt.nz/healthpros/Schedule from the 20th of July 2010.

Note: PHARMAC will issue another fax communication to pharmacy regarding changes to occur in the Pharmaceutical Schedule next Tuesday 20th July 2010.