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**September 2014 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch**

This document is provided to pharmacists as an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **September 2014** Update to the Pharmaceutical Schedule. Please notify PHARMAC (0800 66 00 50) to change or remove your contact details.

**New listings**

- Amoxicillin with clavulanic acid (Augmentin) tab 500 mg with clavulanic acid 125 mg – available on a PSO (p'code 2106248)
- Atorvastatin (Lipitor) tab 10 mg (p'code 2385244), 20 mg (p'code 2385252), 40 mg (p'code 2385260) and 80 mg (p'code 2385279)
- Atorvastatin (Pfizer atorvastatin) tab 10 mg (p'code 2465639), 20 mg (p'code 2465647), 40 mg (p'code 2465655) and 80 mg (p'code 2465663)
- Azacitidine inj 100 mg vial (Vidaza) (p'code 2254662) and inj 1 mg for ECP (Baxter) (p'code 2465884) – PCT only – Specialist – Special Authority
- Beclomethasone dipropionate (Qvar) aerosol inhaler 50 mcg per dose (p'code 2023873) and 100 mcg per dose (p'code 2023857), 200 dose OP
- Gliclazide (Glizide) tab 80 mg (p'code 2280647)
- Intra-uterine device IUD 29.1 mm length x 23.2 mm width (MiniTT380 Slimline) (p'code 2465213) and IUD 33.6 mm length x 29.9 mm width (TT380 Slimline) (p'code 2465205) – Only on a PSO
- Lamivudine (Zeffix) tab 100 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 307645)
- Lenalidomide (Revlimid) cap 10 mg (p'code 2293390) and 25 mg (p'code 2331209) – Retail pharmacy-Specialist – Special Authority – wastage claimable
- Loratadine (LoraPaed) oral liq 1 mg per ml, 200 ml (p'code 2446235)
- Mirtazapine (APO-Mirtazapine) tab 30 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2465620)
- Paracetamol (Pharmacare) tab 500 mg – available on a PSO (p'code 2296985)
- Pharmacy services (BSF Trexate) brand switch fee – may only be claimed once per patient (p'code 2465353)
- Ranitidine (Ranitidine Relief) tab 300 mg – only on a prescription (p'code 2459124)

**Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations**

- Amoxicillin with clavulanic acid (Augmentin and Curam Duo) tab 500 mg with clavulanic acid 125 mg – amended chemical name and presentation description
- Atorvastatin (Zarator, Lipitor and Pfizer atorvastatin) tab 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg and 80 mg – removal of Stat dispensing
- Cilazapril with hydrochlorothiazide (Apo-Cilazapril/Hydrochlorothiazide) tab 5 mg with hydrochlorothiazide 12.5 mg – removal of Brand Switch Fee
- Erythropoietin alfa – amended chemical name, presentation description and addition of wastage claimable
- Erythropoietin beta – addition of wastage claimable
- Hypoplastic and haemolytic (erythropoietin alfa and beta) – amended Special Authority criteria
- Methotrexate (Trexate) tab 2.5 mg and 10 mg – addition of Brand Switch Fee

**Increased subsidy**

| Chemical   | Presentation         | Fully subsidised brands |
|------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Lamivudine | Oral liq 5 mg per ml | Zeffix                  |

**Decreased subsidy**

| Chemical             | Presentation   | Fully subsidised brands   | Partially subsidised brands  |
|----------------------|--|---|--|
| Acitretin            | Cap 10 mg<br>Cap 25 mg   | Novatretin<br>Neotigason*<br>Novatretin<br>Neotigason*  |  |
| Capecitabine         | Tab 150 mg<br>Tab 500 mg   | Xeloda<br>Capecitabine<br>Winthrop*<br>Xeloda<br>Capecitabine<br>Winthrop*  |  |
| Ciprofloxacin        | Tab 500 mg<br>Tab 750 mg   | Cipflox (28 tab pack)*<br>Cipflox*  | Cipflox (100 tab pack)<br>Ciprofloxacin Rex  |
| Fluconazole          | Cap 50 mg<br>Cap 150 mg<br>Cap 200 mg  | Ozole<br>Ozole<br>Ozole   |  |
| Lamivudine           | Oral liq 5 mg per ml   | Zeffix  |  |
| Nifedipine           | Tab long-acting 30 mg<br>Tab long-acting 60 mg   | Arrow-Nifedipine XR<br>Adefin XL*<br>Arrow-Nifediipine XR<br>Adefin XL*   | Adalat Oros<br>Adalat Oros   |
| Octreotide           | Inj 50 mcg per ml, 1 ml<br>Inj 100 mcg per ml, 1 ml<br>Inj 500 mcg per ml, 1 ml            | Octreotide MaxRx<br>Octreotide MaxRx<br>Octreotide MaxRx  |  |
| Olanzapine           | Tab 2.5 mg<br>Tab 5 mg<br>Tab orodispersible 5 mg<br>Tab 10 mg<br>Tab orodispersible 10 mg | Dr Reddy's<br>Olanzapine<br>Zypine*<br>Dr Reddy's<br>Olanzapine<br>Zypine*<br>Dr Reddy's<br>Olanzapine<br>Zypine ODT*<br>Dr Reddy's<br>Olanzapine<br>Zypine*<br>Dr Reddy's<br>Olanzapine<br>Zypine ODT* | Zyprexa<br>Olanzine<br>Zyprexa<br>Olanzine-D<br>Zyprexa Zydis<br>Olanzine<br>Zyprexa<br>Olanzaine-D<br>Zyprexa Zydis |
| Pamidronate disodium | Inj 3 mg per ml, 10 ml vial<br>Inj 6 mg per ml, 10 ml vial<br>Inj 9 mg per ml, 10 ml vial  | Pamisol*<br>Pamisol*<br>Pamisol*  | Pamidronate BNM<br>Pamidronate BNM<br>Pamidronate BNM  |

**Decreased subsidy cont.**

|             |                          |                                       |                              |
|-------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Quetiapine  | Tab 25 mg                | Dr Reddy's<br>Quetiapine<br>Quetapel* | Seroquel                     |
|             | Tab 100 mg               | Dr Reddy's<br>Quetiapine<br>Quetapel* | Seroquel                     |
|             | Tab 200 mg               | Dr Reddy's<br>Quetiapine<br>Quetapel* | Seroquel                     |
|             | Tab 300 mg               | Dr Reddy's<br>Quetiapine<br>Quetapel* | Seroquel                     |
| Rifampicin  | Tab 600 mg               | Rifadin                               |                              |
|             | Cap 150 mg               | Rifadin                               |                              |
|             | Cap 300 mg               | Rifadin                               |                              |
|             | Oral liq 100 mg per 5 ml | Rifadin                               |                              |
| Risperidone | Oral liq 1 mg per ml     | Risperon*                             | Apo-Risperidone<br>Risperdal |
| Thalidomide | Cap 50 mg                | Thalomid                              |                              |
|             | Cap 100 mg               | Thalomid                              |                              |

\* no subsidy changes for these brands for 1 September 2014.

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