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January 2016 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch

This document is provided to pharmacists as an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **January 2016** Update to the Pharmaceutical Schedule. Please notify PHARMAC (enquiry@pharmac.govt.nz) if you want to change or remove your contact details.

New listings

- Adalimumab (Humira) inj 10 mg per 0.2 ml prefilled syringe – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2493780)
- Amoxicillin (Ospamox) grans for oral liq 125 mg per 5 ml (p'code 390623) and 250 mg per 5 ml (p'code 390534) – available on a PSO, wastage claimable
- Aqueous cream (AFT SLS-free) crm, 500 g (p'code 2485486)
- Bee venom allergy treatment (Venomil) maintenance kit – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy, section 29 (p'code 2493934)
- Wasp venom allergy treatment (Venomil) treatment kit (paper wasp venom) (p'code 2493942) and treatment kit (yellow jacket venom) (p'code 2493950) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy, section 29
- Ezetimibe (Ezemibe) tab 10 mg – Pharmacode change (p'code 2488744)
- Icatibant (Firazyr) inj 10 mg per ml, 3 ml prefilled syringe – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2440180)
- Mesalazine (Asacol) tab 800 mg (p'code 2470616)
- Oxaliplatin (Oxaliccord) inj 5 mg per ml, 10 ml (p'code 2492512) and 20 ml (p'code 2492520) vials – PCT only – Specialist
- Sumatriptan (Sun Pharma) inj 12 mg per ml, 0.5 ml cartridge, 2 OP – maximum of 10 inj per prescription, section 29 (p'code 2493691)
- Valaciclovir (Vaclovir) tab 500 mg (p'code 2483904) and 1,000 mg (p'code 2483912) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy

Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations

- Bleomycin sulphate (DBL Bleomycin Sulfate) inj 15,000 iu, vial – amended presentation description
- Escitalopram (Air Flow Products) tab 10 mg and 20 mg – removal of Brand Switch Fee
- Etoposide (Hospira and Vepesid) inj 20 mg per ml, 5 ml vial – amended presentation description
- Heparinised saline (Pfizer) inj 10 iu per ml, 5 ml – Stat removed
- Metoprolol succinate (Metoprolol – AFT CR) tab long-acting 23.75 mg, 47.5 mg, 95 mg and 190 mg – STAT removed 11 December 2015
- Oral feed 1.5 kcal/ml (Ensure Plus and Fortisip) liquid – amended Additional subsidy by Endorsement
- Oxaliplatin inj 50 mg vial (Oxaliplatin Actavis 50, Oxaliplatin Ebewe and Eloxatin) and inj 100 mg vial (Oxaliplatin Actavis 100, Oxaliplatin Ebewe and Eloxatin) – amended presentation description
- Standard supplements – amended Special Authority criteria
- Sumatriptan (Arrow-Sumatriptan) inj 12 mg per ml, 0.5 ml cartridge – Sole Supply suspended
- Ziprasidone (Zusdone and Zeldox) cap 20 mg, 40 mg, 60 mg and 80 mg – removal of Subsidy by Endorsement

Increased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Chloramphenicol	Eye oint 1%, 4 g OP	Chlorsig

Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands	Partially subsidised brands
Adalimumab	Inj 20 mg per 0.4 ml prefilled syringe Inj 40 mg per 0.8 ml syringe Inj 40 mg per 0.8 ml prefilled syringe	Humira Humira HumiraPen	
Bisacodyl	Suppos 10 mg	Lax-Suppositories	Dulcolax
Bosentan	Tab 62.5 mg & 125 mg	Mylan-Bosentan*	pms-Bosentan Tracleer
Citalopram hydrobromide	Tab 20 mg	Arrow-Citalopram PSM Citalopram*	
Cyclizine hydrochloride	Tab 50 mg	Nauzene	Nausicalm
Dexamethasone	Tab 4 mg	Douglas Dexmethsone*	
Glycerin with sodium saccharin	Suspension	Ora-Sweet SF	
Glycerin with sucrose	Suspension	Ora-Sweet	
Lansoprazole	Cap 15 mg & 30 mg	Solox Lanzol Relief*	
Letrozole	Tab 2.5 mg	Letrole*	Letraccord
Lisinopril	Tab 5 mg, 10 mg & 20 mg	Ethics Lisinopril*	Arrow-Lisinopril
Methylcellulose	Suspension	Ora-Plus	
Methylcellulose with glycerin and sodium saccharin	Suspension	Ora-Blend SF	
Methylcellulose with glycerin and sucrose	Suspension	Ora-Blend	
Voriconazole	Tab 50 mg & 200 mg	Vttack*	Vfend
Ziprasidone	Cap 20 mg, 40 mg, 60 mg & 80 mg	Zusdone*	Zeldox

* no subsidy changes for these brands for 1 January 2016.