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November 2016 Pharmaceutical Schedule Dispatch

This document is provided to pharmacists as an early notification of the changes to be announced in the **November 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

- Amino acid formula (Alfamino Junior) powder, 400 g OP – Special Authority – Hospital pharmacy [HP3] (p'code 2510537)
- Calcium carbonate (Calsource) tab eff 1.75 g (1 g elemental), 10 tab pack (p'code 2511215)
- Calcium gluconate (Hameln) inj 10%, 10 ml ampoule (p'code 2512599)
- Capecitabine (Brinov) tab 150 mg (p'code 2494116) and 500 mg (p'code 2494124) – Retail pharmacy-Specialist
- Dantrolene (Dantrium S29) cap 25 mg – Section 29 and wastage claimable (p'code 2512580)
- Dolutegravir (Tivicay) tab 50 mg – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy (p'code 2510979)
- Enteral feed with fibre 0.83 kcal/ml (Nutrison 800 Complete Multi Fibre) liquid, 1,000 ml OP – Special Authority – Hospital pharmacy [HP3] (p'code 2510774)
- Metoprolol succinate (Myloc CR) tab long-acting 23.75 mg (p'code 2176415)
- Montelukast (Apo-Montelukast) tab 4 mg (p'code 2511797), 5 mg (p'code 2511800) and 10 mg (p'code 2511789) – Special Authority – Retail pharmacy
- Oral feed (powder) (Ensure) powder (vanilla), 850 g OP – Special Authority – Hospital pharmacy [HP3] – new formulation (p'code 2504316)
- Pharmacy services (BSF Apo-Metoprolol) brand switch fee – may only be claimed once per patient (p'code 2511541)
- Prednisolone acetate (Prednisolone-AFT) eye drops 1%, 10 ml OP (p'code 2501511)

Changes to restrictions, chemical names and presentations

- Azathioprine (Imuran) inj 50 mg vial – amended presentation description
- Dantrolene (Dantrium) cap 25 mg and 50 mg – STAT dispensing removed
- Ethambutol hydrochloride (Myambutol) tab 100 mg and 400 mg – addition of Section 29 and wastage
- Metoprolol tartrate (Apo-Metoprolol) tab 50 mg and 100 mg – addition of Brand Switch Fee
- Pancreatic enzyme (Panzytrat) cap pancreatin (175 mg (25,000 U lipase, 22,500 U amylase, 1,250 U protease)) – amended presentation description

Increased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands
Ascorbic acid	Tab 100 mg	Cvite
Gemfibrozil	Tab 600 mg	Lipazil
Tolcapone	Tab 100 mg	Tasmar
Vitamin B complex	Tab, strong, BPC	Bplex
Vitamins	Tab (BPC cap strength)	Mvite

Decreased subsidy

Chemical	Presentation	Fully subsidised brands	Partially subsidised brands
Abacavir sulphate with lamivudine	Tab 600 mg with lamivudine 300 mg	Kivexa	
Amisulpride	Tab 100 mg, 200 mg & 400 mg	Solian Sulprix*	
Atorvastatin	Tab 10 mg, 20 mg, 40 mg & 80 mg	Lorstat*	Zarator
Azathioprine	Inj 50 mg vial	Imuran	
Ceftriaxone	Inj 500 mg vial	DEVA*	Ceftriaxone-AFT
Midazolam	Inj 1 mg per ml, 5 ml & 5 mg per ml, 3 ml	Hypnovel Pfizer*	

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

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