

Dear Colleague

PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES AMENDMENTS TO DRUG TARIFF IN RESPECT OF SPECIAL PREPARATIONS AND IMPORTED UNLICENSED MEDICINES

Purpose

1. This Circular advises of changes in the Drug Tariff effective for dispensings 1 May 2023 in respect of reimbursement of costs borne by community pharmacy contractors when dispensing NHS prescriptions for specialist preparations and imported unlicensed medicines listed in Part 7S.

Detail

2. Circular PCA(P) (2013) 4 advised that Part 7S would be established in the Scottish Drug Tariff. Subsequently PCA(P) (2015) 17 provided additional detail on the Specials Authorisation Process.

3. As per PCA(P) 2015 17, where a product is listed in Part 7S for a liquid or soft-paraffin-based product, that price applies to equivalent suspensions, solutions and products with a white or yellow soft paraffin base, respectively.

4. From May 1st, 2023, the reimbursement system for prescriptions dispensed in primary care in Scotland will change from the current EVADIS to nDCVP. As nDCVP is a Dictionary of Medicines and Devices (dm+d) based system, it is necessary to state the specific formulations and pack sizes which will be subject to Part 7S reimbursement rules. The existing business rules for Part 7S and non-Part 7S lines remains unchanged.

Scottish Drug Tariff Part 7S lines

5. Annex A details the lines which will constitute Part 7S, effective May 1st, 2023. This will be considered "Whole packs" for reimbursement purposes. NHS Boards are advised to review the quantities on prescription to reflect these pack sizes.

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Consultation

6. Community Pharmacy Scotland has been consulted on the contents of this circular.

Action

7. NHS Boards are asked to:

- note the contents of this circular;
- copy this circular to all community pharmacy contractors on their pharmaceutical lists, Health and Social Care Partnerships and the Area Pharmaceutical Committee.

Yours sincerely,



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ANNEX A: Part 7S lines, effective May 1st, 2023

DMD VMPP pack ID	VMPP name
27874811000001105	Alfentanil 0.1% nasal spray 5 ml
21308211000001107	Allopurinol 100mg/5ml oral suspension 150 ml
19933211000001105	Azathioprine 50mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
19594911000001104	Bendroflumethiazide 2.5mg/5ml oral suspension 150 ml
21308911000001103	Bisoprolol 2.5mg/5ml oral solution 150 ml
21309111000001108	Bisoprolol 2.5mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
21373211000001106	Coal tar solution 2% in Yellow soft paraffin 100 gram
21310111000001100	Co-careldopa 25mg/100mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
22245011000001107	Cyclizine 50mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
20461911000001105	Dantrolene 25mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
40486811000001106	Diazepam 10mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
40611911000001106	Diazepam 2.5mg/5ml oral suspension 350 ml
15378311000001106	Diltiazem 2% cream 30 gram
35168211000001100	Emulsifying wax 3% cutaneous emulsion 200 ml
22405111000001101	Eosin 2% solution 100 ml
20430811000001104	Flecainide 25mg/5ml oral suspension 200 ml
19602311000001103	Glyceryl trinitrate 0.2% ointment 30 gram
22698311000001108	Ichthammol 1% in Yellow soft paraffin 100 gram
30854511000001100	Zinc oxide 15% and Ichthammol 1% in Yellow soft paraffin 200 gram
20159411000001108	Zinc oxide 15% and Ichthammol 1% in Yellow soft paraffin 500 gram
21251611000001100	Isoniazid 50mg/5ml oral solution 500 ml
20431411000001105	Ketamine 50mg/5ml oral solution 200 ml
19597711000001108	Lorazepam 1mg/5ml oral solution 150 ml
19598811000001101	Lorazepam 500micrograms/5ml oral solution 150 ml
24438811000001103	Naltrexone 5mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
20449911000001102	Phenobarbital 50mg/5ml oral solution 150 ml
19934411000001107	Quetiapine 12.5mg/5ml oral suspension 150 ml
22250411000001108	Quetiapine 25mg/5ml oral suspension 150 ml
24439011000001104	Quetiapine 50mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
19604811000001101	Ramipril 5mg/5ml oral solution 150 ml
19605011000001106	Ramipril 5mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
32630311000001103	Reflectant sunscreen beige (Dundee formula) cream 50 gram
32630811000001107	Reflectant sunscreen coffee (Dundee formula) cream 50 gram
32631311000001108	Reflectant sunscreen coral pink (Dundee formula) cream 50 gram
20276311000001108	Salicylic acid 10% in Aqueous cream 100 gram
20276111000001106	Salicylic acid 10% in Emulsifying ointment 100 gram
20277311000001106	Salicylic acid 10% in Yellow soft paraffin 100 gram
20440011000001109	Salicylic acid 2% in Aqueous cream 100 gram
39930911000001107	Salicylic acid 5% in Aqueous cream 100 gram
20381911000001102	Salicylic acid 5% in Emulsifying ointment 100 gram
20286011000001101	Salicylic acid 5% in Yellow soft paraffin 100 gram
19605211000001101	Sertraline 50mg/5ml oral suspension 150 ml

19600111000001104	Spirolactone 25mg/5ml oral suspension 125 ml
19600411000001109	Spirolactone 50mg/5ml oral suspension 125 ml
19600711000001103	Tacrolimus 5mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml
20465311000001106	Tranexamic acid 500mg/5ml oral solution 100 ml
22251911000001107	Tranexamic acid 500mg/5ml oral suspension 100 ml

