

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,
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TO MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS

(Copy to Retail Pharmacists)

Dear Doctor,

DRUG TARIFF 1970, AMENDMENT NO. 10: EFFECTIVE 1 AUGUST 1973

Additions

1. To be available from a retail pharmacy:
 - Bismuth subgallate, compound, suppositories with hydrocortisone (Anusol HC).
 - Choline theophyllinate with guaiaphenesin tablets and elixir (Brondecon).
 - Dioctyl sodium sulphosuccinate with bisacodyl suppositories (Coloxyl).
 - Fluorometholone with neomycin eye drops (FML Neo)—ophthalmological specialist.
 - Pivampicillin (Alphacillin).
 - Pyrantel embonate (Combantrin).
 - Sodium citro-tartrate, effervescent granules B.P.C. 1949 (Citravescent, Oralyte).
2. To be available from a hospital pharmacy on the recommendation of a specialist:
 - Beclomethasone dipropionate inhaler (Becotide).

Alterations

1. To be available from a retail pharmacy without further restriction:
 - Amiloride with hydrochlorothiazide (Moduretic).
 - Desipramine hydrochloride (Pertofran).
 - Doxycycline hydrochloride (Vibramycin).
 - Oestradiol valerate tablets (Progynova).
 - Methallenestraol (Vallestril).
 - Quinestradol (Pentovis).
 - Spironolactone (Aldactone).
 - Triamterene with hydrochlorothiazide (Dyazide).

2. To be available from a hospital pharmacy without further restriction: Prindolol (Visken).

3. To be available from a retail pharmacy on the recommendation of a specialist:

Amyl dimethylamino benzoate (Phiasol A.S.).

Petrolatum red, with titanium coated mica ointment (R.V. Plus).

Zinc oxide with 2-ethoxyethyl-p-methoxycinnamate ointment (R.V. Paque).

Deletions

Diethyl sodium sulphosuccinate with acetphenolisatin suppositories (Coloxyl—old formula).

Diethyl sodium sulphosuccinate with oxyphenisatin acetate tablets (Agarolets).

Oxyphenisatin acetate suppositories.

Oxyphenisatin acetate with danthron and diethyl sodium sulphosuccinate tablets.

(All preparations containing oxyphenisatin have now been deleted from the Drug Tariff. It should be noted that Coloxyl suppositories are still available under the tariff in their new formulation.)

Changes of Approved Name

Disodium cromoglycate is now sodium cromoglycate and only relates in the Drug Tariff to Intal.

Demethylchlortetracycline is now Demeclocycline.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRUG TARIFF

1. Specialist Recommendation

Provision has been made for medical practitioners who are specialists for the purposes of any determination issued under section 52 of the Hospitals Act 1957, to prescribe or recommend treatment with pharmaceutical requirements restricted to hospital board—specialist or retail pharmacy—specialist availability. See clause 18 of Drug Tariff, Amendment No. 10.

In the case of recommended treatment prescriptions must be endorsed “recommended by (name of hospital specialist)”.

2. Extended Supply Restrictions

Clause 9 of Amendment No. 10 is to make provision for a doctor to prescribe for a patient for a period of more than 7 days and less than 1 month if he endorses the prescription “extended supply” and states the total quantity required, and not the period for which the treatment is required. For periods of 1–3 months it is still necessary to endorse the prescription “extended supply” and the period required, e.g., 1 month.

3. Antibiotic and Penicillin Restriction

These restrictions no longer apply. Payment by the department for oral liquid antibiotics to which a solvent has to be added at the time of dispensing will be based on the original pack or the next *largest* single pack or number of packs, required to supply the amount that has been ordered.

It is requested however, that the following preparations be ordered in original packs whenever possible:

Trade Name	Approved Name
Composicillin V.K. }	
Crystapen V.K. }	Phenoxymethyl penicillin
D.Q.V.K. }	potassium salt
Erythrocin	Erythromycin ethyl succinate
Dexacillin	Epicillin
Orbenin	Cloxacillin sodium
Rovamycin	Spiramycin
Penbritin	Ampicillin

(Penbritin is only available at present in 100 ml packs.)

4. Supply of Intravenous Solutions for Patients on Renal Dialysis at Home

Provision has been made in clauses 6 and 15 of Amendment No. 10 to allow for contractors to supply intravenous fluids for use by patients on renal dialysis at home. Payment by the department will be based on the submitted invoice plus the appropriate dispensing fee.

Yours faithfully,

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**DRUGS AVAILABLE UNDER THE DRUG TARIFF FROM
HOSPITAL PHARMACIES WITHOUT FURTHER RESTRICTION
AS AT 1 AUGUST 1973**

Official Name	Trade Names
Alprenolol hydrochloride	Aptin
Alprenolol hydrochloride long-acting tablets	Aptin Durules
Amphetamine sulphate	
Attapulgit with neomycin sulphate	Atasorb-N
Calcium glucono-galacto-gluconate	Calcium Sandoz Effervescent
Calcium lactate-gluconate	Calcium Sandoz Forte Effer- vescent
Cephalexin monohydrate	Ceporex, Keflex, Keforal
Cortisone tablets	Cortelan
Desferrioxamine B mesylate	Desferal
Dexamphetamine sulphate	Dexedrine
Diloxanide furoate	Furamide
Fludrocortisone acetate	Florinef
Framycetin sulphate	Framygen, Soframycin
Framycetin sulphate with kaolin	Enterfram
Gentamicin sulphate injection	Cidomycin, Garamycin
Hydrocortisone tablets	
Kanamycin sulphate	Kanasig, Kantrex
Kaolin with neomycin sulphate and pectin	Kaomycin
Methicillin sodium	Celbenin
Methylamphetamine hydrochloride	
Neomycin for oral use	Myecifradin, Neomin
Novobiocin	Albamycin, Cathomycin
Oxprenolol hydrochloride	Trasicor
Penicillamine hydrochloride	Penicillamine
Pentazocine injection	Fortral
Pizotifen	Sandomigran
Practolol	Eraldin
Prindolol	Visken
Propranolol hydrochloride	Inderal
Thiambutosine	Ciba 1906
Vancomycin hydrochloride	Vancocin

**DRUGS AVAILABLE UNDER THE DRUG TARIFF FROM
HOSPITAL PHARMACIES ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF A
SPECIALIST AS AT 1 AUGUST 1973**

Official Name	Trade Names
Amantadine hydrochloride	Symmetrel
Aminocaproic acid	Amicar
Amphotericin B vials	Fungizone for Infusion
Aprotinin	Trasylol
Beclamide	Nydrane
Beclomethasone dipropionate	Becotide
Betamethasone and its salts as tablets and as injections not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Betnesol, Celestone
Butaperazine	Randolectil
Capreomycin injection	Caprocin
Carbenicillin	Pyopen
Carbenoxolone sodium	Biogestone
Cephaloridine	Ceporan
Cephalothin sodium	Keflin
Chloramphenicol	Chlomin, Chloramex, Chloro- mycetin
Chloramphenicol palmitate	Cloramex, Chloromycetin
Chloramphenicol sodium succinate injection	Chloromycetin Succinate injec- tion
Chlormethiazole and its esters	Hemineurin
Cholestyramine	Cuemid, Questran
Chymotrypsin injection	Chymar, Chymo-Trypure Novo, Zonulysin, Zolyse
Clofibrate	Atromid S
Clomiphene citrate (O. and G. specialist)	Clomid
Colistin and its salts and esters	Colymycin
Corticotrophin	Acthar
Corticotrophin, long-acting	Cortico-Gel, Cortrophin ZN., H.P. Acthar Gel
Cortisone acetate not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Cortidren, Cortisyl
Dexamethasone and its salts and esters not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Decadron, Dexacortisyl, Maxi- dex
Dydrogesterone	Duphaston
Folinic acid	Leucovorin
Fusidic acid and its salts and esters	Fucidin
Hydrocortisone and its acetate not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Hydrocortisyl

Official Name	Trade Names
Lactulose	Duphalac
Levodopa	Laradopa, Eldopar
Lithium carbonate	Camcolit
Mefenamic acid capsules	Ponstan
Methotrexate	Amethopterin
Methylprednisolone and its salts and esters	Medrol
Methysergide dimaleate	Deseril
Metirapone	Metopirone
Mitomycins	
Pancreatin proprietary preparations as approved by the Director-General of Health	Combizym, Cotazym, Cotazym B Combizym Compositum
Pentagastrin injection	Peptavlon
Potassium para-aminobenzoate	Potaba
Prednisolone and its salts and esters not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	
Prednisone and its acetate not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	
Quinidine bisulphate long-acting tablets	Kinidin Durules
Sodium polystyrene sulphonate	Resonium-A
Spectinomycin	Trobicin
Tetracosactrin	Synacthen
Tetracosactrin long-acting	Cortrosyn Depot, Synacthen Depot
Thiopropazine mesylate	Majeptil
Triamcinolone and its salts and esters not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Kenacort, Ledercort
Trifluoperidol hydrochloride (psychiatric specialist)	Triperidol

**DRUGS AVAILABLE UNDER THE DRUG TARIFF FROM RETAIL
PHARMACIES ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF A SPECIALIST AS
AT 1 AUGUST 1973**

Official Name	Trade Names
Adrenaline acid tartrate (Ophthalmological specialist)	Lyophrin
Adrenaline borate eye drops (Ophthalmological specialist)	Eppy
Amyl dimethylamino benzoate	Phiasol AS
Azathioprine	Imuran
Busulphan	Myleran
Carbachol eye drops (Ophthalmological specialist)	Isopto carbachol
Chlorambucil	Leukeran
Chlorotrianisene	TACE
Cyclophosphamide	Endoxan-Asta
Cycloserine	D-Cycloserine
Cytarabine	Cytosar
Demecarium bromide (Ophthalmological specialist)	Tosmilen
Drostanolone propionate	Masteril
Echothiophate iodide (Ophthalmological specialist)	Phospholine iodide
Ethambutol	Myambutol
Ethionamide	Trescatyl
Ethionamide with isoniazid	Trescazide
Ethylestrenol	Orabolin
Eye preparations containing a corticosteroid (Ophthalmological specialist)	
Fluorometholone (Ophthalmological specialist)	FML
Fluorometholone with neomycin (Ophthalmological specialist)	FML Neo
Fluorouracil topical preparations (Dermatological specialist)	
Fluorouracil injection	Fluorouracil
Fluoxymesterone	Androl, Halotestin, Ultrandren
Fluphenazine enanthate	Anatensol
Fluphenazine decanoate	Modecate
Idoxuridine (Ophthalmological or Dermatological specialist)	Herplex stoxil
Isoniazid	Pycazide

Official Name	Trade Names
Isoniazid and aminosalicic acid and its salts	
Laevo-adrenaline hydrochloride (Ophthalmological specialist)	Epifrin, Glaucon
Medroxyprogesterone acetate tablets exceeding 5 mg strength	
Medryson (Ophthalmological specialist)	H.M.S.
Melphalan	Alkeran
Mercaptopurine	Puri-Nethol
Methandienone	Dianabol
Mexenone	Uvistat
Mustine, its salts and derivatives	
Nandrolone decanoate injection	Deca-Durabolin
Nandrolone phenylpropionate injection	Durabolin
Nitrogen mustard N-oxide	
Oxymetholone	Adroyd, Anapolon
Para-aminosalicylic acid and its salts and derivatives	
Petrolatum red with titanium coated mica ointment	R.V. Plus
Polyestradiol phosphate	Estradurin
Procarbazine hydrochloride	Natulan
Prothionamide	Trevintix
Pyrazinamide	
Rifampicin for the treatment of tuberculosis	Rifadin, Rimactane
Sodium aminosalicylate and isoniazid cacthets, B.N.F.	
Sodium aminosalicylate and isoniazid granules, B.N.F.	
Sodium chloride, potassium chloride, calcium chloride, and magnesium chloride eye drops (Ophthalmological specialist)	Balanced Salt Solution
Stanolone	Anabolex
Stilboestrol diphosphate	Honvan
Thiocarlide	Isoxyl
Thio-tepa	
Vinblastine sulphate	Velbe
Vincristine sulphate	Oncovin
Viomycin and its salts	Vionactane
Zinc oxide with 2-ethoxyethyl-p-methoxycinnamate ointment	R.V. Paque