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CLINICAL SERVICES LETTER No. 25  
TO MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS  
(Copy for information to chemists)

Dear Doctor,

DRUG TARIFF AMENDMENT NO. 4  
(Effective 1 May)

The Drug Tariff Amendment enclosed is a cumulative one, which means that the tariff is contained in only two documents, the principal drug tariff and this amendment.

Important Additions:

	Approximate Retail Price per Tablet
Allyloestrenol (Gestamin)	11d.
Isosorbide dinitrate (Carvasin)	1d.
Methdilazine hydrochloride (Dilosyn)	5d.
Fluphenazine hydrochloride (Anatensol) { "Hospital Board"	11½d. (1 mg.)
Salicylazosulphapyridine (Salazopyrin) }	6d.
Chlorprothixene (Taractan) { "Hospital Board Pay-"	2½d. (5 mg.)
Amitriptyline (Laroxyl, Tryptanol) } chiatric Specialist"	5d. (10 mg.)
Ethosuximide (Zarontin) }	7d.
Vinblastine sulphate (Velbe) } "Hospital Board Specialist"	12½s. 9d. for 10 ml.

Now Available from Chemists (Previously through Hospital Board dispensaries):

Chlorpropamide (Diabinese)  
Imipramine (Tofranil)  
Phenelzine (Nardil)  
Isocarboxazid (Marplan)  
Thioridazine (Melleril)

Following Restrictions Apply from 1 May:

Fluoxymesterone (Fluotestin, Hidotestin, Uliandren) "Hospital Board Specialist".  
Hydrocortisone topical preparations: Maximum quantities available per prescription."

½% ointment or lotion 120 G or ml.

½% ointment or lotion 60 G or ml.

1% ointment or lotion 30 G or ml.

For treatment of small areas 5-10 G is usually ample. For long-term treatment the practitioner should endorse his prescription "extended supply ..... months", stating the intervals at which supplies may be dispensed on request by the patient (e.g., "Issue fortnightly").

The chemist is requested to dispense in tubes whenever possible.

*Deleted:*

Tequadin paint  
Tetracyclin ointment  
Neosporin ointment } N.B. But eye ointments are still available.  
Polyfax ointment }  
Tyroderm ointment

*Retained, But Subject to Part Charge Payable by the Patient:*

Diazamycin }  
Fammygen }  
Germecidin } Creams or ointments.  
Neobactin }  
Qunolor }  
Saramycin }  
Suroxin }

*Prednisolone Tablets for Emergency Use, e.g., Status Asthmaticus:*

Twenty tablets for emergency use may be obtained on Medical Practitioners Supply Orders from hospital dispensaries. Long-term treatment still requires the approval of the Hospital Board Special Committee.

Yours faithfully,

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**Chloramphenicol**

It is anticipated that this drug will be available only through Hospital Board dispensaries from 1 August.