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CLINICAL SERVICES LETTER NO. 62

TO MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS

Dear Doctor,

CORTICOSTEROIDS

The Pharmacology and Therapeutics Advisory Committee has recommended that the committee which met early last year to review the system of controlling the corticosteroid drugs should meet again to discuss the possibility of relaxing the present restrictions.

Medical practitioners are invited to submit representations to the committee. Any comments you may wish to make should reach this office no later than 24 June so that members may have sufficient time to consider them.

MATERNITY BENEFITS

When a D & C operation is performed elsewhere than in a public hospital, the operation itself is considered a normal G. M. S. service in the same way as is a caesarean section.

TETANUS IMMUNE GLOBULIN (HUMAN)

Medical practitioners may obtain their requirements of tetanus immune globulin (human) from and on the authority of the haematologist, pathologist, or medical officer in charge of the transfusion services at the hospitals which at present issue gamma globulin.

Tetanus immune globulin (human) should be restricted specifically for the treatment of patients who have shown a definite hypersensitivity to antitoxins of animal origin.

The cost is approximately £3 per ampoule. Stocks are limited, each hospital probably holding only one or two ampoules.

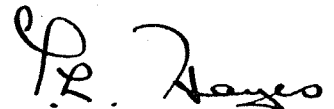
ORAL PREPARATIONS OF ANTIBIOTICS

An error was made in Clinical Services Letter No. 60 in calculating the cost to public funds. A discount of 10 per cent should have been deducted from those preparations costing more than 25s.

Yours faithfully,



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