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**CLINICAL SERVICES LETTER NO. 68**

**TO MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS**

(Copy for information to chemists)

Dear Doctor,

**DRUG TARIFF 1964, AMENDMENT NO. 7:  
EFFECTIVE 1 APRIL 1967**

*Additions and Deletions*

Most additions and deletions are listed in the Explanatory Note at the back of the amendment.

*Alterations*

Preparations containing a corticosteroid intended for use in the *ear, nose, or throat* will be available on the prescription of any medical practitioner. Preparations for use in the *eye* will still be restricted to supply on the recommendation of an ophthalmological specialist. Many of these proprietary preparations are labelled as suitable for the eye, ear, or nose. To avoid confusion to chemists it would be appreciated if, when prescribing these particular preparations, doctors would specify their mode of application clearly.

Those preparations which are a part charge at present will remain so.

**STERIOD TREATMENT CARDS**

An instruction on the back of the standard card issued to patients reads: "Produce this card when obtaining fresh supplies of tablets."

The intention is that the doctor should enter on the card any change in treatment with corticosteroids. The card need not therefore be produced to the chemist every time a fresh supply is obtained.

Yours faithfully,

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