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CLINICAL SERVICES LETTER NO. 96

TO MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS

(Copy for retail pharmacists)

Dear Doctor,

DRUG TARIFF 1970: EFFECTIVE 1 APRIL 1970

The Drug Tariff has been reprinted because of the number of alterations since 1967 and the number of changes in official titles and approved names. Items which have not been marketed in New Zealand for some time have been omitted. This reprint also provides for the reapportionment of remuneration to retail pharmacists. There are no other changes in established policy.

Additions

Additions, with their proprietary names, are listed at the end of the Tariff. Lafayette Pharmacal Inc., U.S.A. has been added to Part III of the Schedule.

Alterations

Echothiophate iodide (Phospholine iodide) will be available from retail pharmacies on the recommendation of an ophthalmological specialist. Carbamazepine (Tegretol) will also be available from retail pharmacies.

Error

Haloperidol (Serenace) continues to be available from retail pharmacies. This error in the Tariff is regretted.

PROPOSED DELETION

Lomotil liquid will probably be deleted from the Drug Tariff from 1 August 1970, as it is considered that the administration of this drug to children should not be encouraged.

LABELLING WITH PROPER NAME

The question of labelling ointments and mixtures with the proper name has been discussed at meetings of the Medical Services Advisory Committee and the Pharmaceutical Advisory Committee.

With extemporaneously compounded preparations it would be impracticable to list the active ingredients on the label, and it should not be left to the pharmacist to decide on a suitable short title.

In the case, however, of a preparation containing one active ingredient, or a preparation bearing an official title, suitable labelling should be possible. Chemists have been requested to label preparations of this type accordingly.

If a doctor requires a title to be marked on medicines of his own formulation, this should be reduced to one line and incorporated as a labelling instruction, e.g., "Sig. The Cough Mixture, 5ml. q.q.h." With preparations of this nature, or others with multiple ingredients, unless a doctor specifies a *brief* title which he wishes to be marked on the container, the chemist cannot be expected to comply. "*NP*" alone is not sufficient.

Chemists will continue to label items dispensed by count with the proper name. No title will, of course, be shown on the label if the prescriber marks the prescription "N.N.P."

With the ever increasing number of preparations being marketed prescribers are asked to show clearly on their prescriptions the exact presentation and labelling they require. Care in this matter will be appreciated by all concerned, and is a safeguard against error.

The co-operation of chemists is invited in this important matter, from the date of receipt of this letter. The procedure as outlined above has been introduced with the concurrence of the Chemists' Guild of New Zealand (Incorporated), who have recommended it to their members.

Yours faithfully,

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**DRUGS AVAILABLE UNDER THE DRUG TARIFF FROM
HOSPITAL PHARMACIES WITHOUT FURTHER
RESTRICTION AS AT 1 APRIL 1970**

Official Name	Trade Names
Attapulgit with neomycin sulphate	Atasorb-N
Calcium glucono-galacto-gluconate	Calcium Sandoz Effervescent
Calcium lactate-gluconate	Calcium Sandoz Forte Effervescent
Desferrioxamine B mesylate	Desferal
Diloxanide furoate	Furamide
Framycetin sulphate	Framygen, Soframycin
Framycetin sulphate with kaolin	Enterfram
Gentamicin sulphate injection	Cidomycin, Garamycin
Kanamycin sulphate	Kanasig, Kantrex
Kaolin with neomycin sulphate and pectin	Kaomycin
Methallenoestril	Vallestril
Neomycin for oral use	Mycifradin, Neomin
Novobiocin	Albamycin, Cathomycin
Paromomycin sulphate	Humatin
Penicillamine hydrochloride	Penicillamine
Thiambutosine	Ciba 1906

**DRUGS AVAILABLE UNDER THE DRUG TARIFF FROM
HOSPITAL PHARMACIES ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF A
SPECIALIST AS AT 1 APRIL 1970**

Official Name	Trade Names
Aminocaproic acid	Amicar
Aprotinin	Trasylol
Azathioprine	Imuran
b-Naphthyl-di (2-chloropropyl)-amine with urethane	R 151 with Urethane
Beclamide	Nydrane
Benzylpenicillin sodium salt, purified	Purapen
Betamethasone and its salts as tablets and as injections not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Betnesol, Celestone
Busulphan	Myleran
Butaperazine	Randolectil
Carbenicillin	Pyopen
Carbenoxolone sodium	Biogastrone
Cephaloridine	Ceporan
Chlorambucil	Leukeran
Chlormethiazole and its esters	Hemineurin
Chlorotrianisene	TACE

Official Name	Trade Names
Chymotrypsin injection	Chymar, Chymo-Trypure Novo, Zonulysin
Clofibrate	Atromid S
Clomiphene citrate (O. and G. specialist)	Clomid
Cloxacillin sodium	Orbenin
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	Cortelan, Cortidren, Cortisyl
Cyclophosphamide	Endoxan-Asta
Cycloserine	D-Cycloserine
Dexamethasone and its salts and esters not included else- where in the Drug Tariff	Decadron, Dexacortisyl
Doxycycline hydrochloride	Vibramycin
Drostanolone propionate	Masteril
Dydrogesterone	Duphaston
Ethambutol	Myambutol
Ethionamide	Trescatyl
Ethionamide and isoniazid	Trescazide
Ethylestrenol	Orabolin
Fludrocortisone and its esters	Florinef
Fluorouracil sodium	Fluoro-Uracil
Fluoxymesterone	Halotestin, Ultandren
Fluphenazine enanthate	Anatensol
Folinic acid	Leucovorin
Fusidic acid and its salts and esters	Fucidin
Hydrocortisone and its acetate not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Hydrocortisyl
Isoniazid	Pycazide
Isoniazid with aminosalicic acid and its salts	Inapasade, Pasinah, Pasinah D, Pasinah 302, Pycamisan, Pycamisan B.D., Pycasix
Lincomycin hydrochloride	Lincocin
Lithium carbonate	Camcolit
Mannomustine hydrochloride	Degranol
Medroxyprogesterone acetate tablets exceeding 5 mg strength	Provera
Mefenamic acid capsules	Ponstan
Melphalan	Alkeran
Mercaptopurine	Puri-Nethol
Mestanolone	Androstatone
Methandienone	Dianabol
Methicillin sodium	Celbenin
Methotrexate	Amethopterin
Methylprednisolone and its salts and esters	Medrol
Methysergide dimaleate	Deseril
Metirapone	Metopirone
Mitomycins	
Mustine, its salts and derivatives	Trillekamin
Nandrolone decanoate	Deca-Durabolin
Nandrolone phenylpropionate	Durabolin
Nialamide	Niamid
Nitrogen mustard N-oxide	Nitromin
Norethandrolone	Nilevar
Oxprenolol hydrochloride	Trasicor

Official Name	Trade Names
Oxymesterone	Oranabol
Oxymetholone	Adroyd, Anapolon-50
Pancreatin proprietary preparations as approved by the Director-General of Health	Combizym, Cotazym, Cotazym B
Para-aminosalicylic acid and its salts and derivatives	
Paraoxypropiofenone	Frenantol
Phenyl-para-aminosalicylate	Tebanyl
Polyestradiol phosphate	Estradurin
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	
Procarbazine hydrochloride	Natulan
Propranolol hydrochloride	Inderal
Prothionamide	Trevintix
Quinestradiol	Pentovis
Quinidine bisulphate long acting tablets	Kinidin Durules
Rifampicin for the treatment of tuberculosis	Rifadin, Rimactane
Sodium aminosalicylate and isoniazid cachets, B.N.F.	
Sodium aminosalicylate and isoniazid granules, B.N.F.	
Sodium polystyrene sulphonate	Resonium-A
Spironolactone	Aldactone-A
Stanolone	Anabolex
Stilboestrol diphosphate	Honvan
Streptonicozid	
Tetracosactrin	Synacthen
Tetracosactrin long acting	Synacthen Depot
Thiocarlide	Isoxyl
Thiopropazine mesylate	Majeptil
Thiotepa	
Tranlycypromine sulphate	Parnate
Triamcinolone and its salts and esters not included elsewhere in the Drug Tariff	Kenacort, Lederkort
Triaziquone	Trenimon
Trimethoprim with sulphamethoxazole	Bactrim, Septrin
Trimustine	
Vinblastine sulphate	Velbe
Vincristine sulphate	Oncovin
Viomycin and its salts	Vionactane