

Recommendations for NHS Vale of York CCG from York and Scarborough Medicines Commissioning Committee February 2016

Item 18.2

Drug name	Indication	Recommendation	Rationale for recommendation	Place in therapy	RAG status	Potential cost impact
Tocilizumab	In combination with methotrexate, is recommended as option for treating rheumatoid arthritis, and can be used as monotherapy for people who cannot take methotrexate because it is contraindicated or because of intolerance.	Approved	As per NICE TA375	As per NICE TA375	Red – Specialist prescribing only	As per NICE TA
Biosimilar etanercept – (Benepali®)	In combination with methotrexate, is recommended as option for treating rheumatoid arthritis, and can be used as monotherapy for people who cannot take methotrexate because it is contraindicated or because of intolerance.	Approved	As per NICE TA375	As per NICE TA375	Red – Specialist prescribing only	As per NICE TA Likely to be 35% cheaper.
Pro D3	Vitamin D for deficiency & insufficiency	No longer approved for use.	Unlicensed	No longer approved	Black	Nil
Stexerol D3 25000 IU Tabs	Vitamin D for deficiency & for insufficiency & for replete	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	First line option	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Deficiency - £11.33 Cost for 28 days to treat Insufficiency @ 800iu (1600iu) - £1.42 @ 1 per month (£2.84)

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Stexerol D3 1000iu tabs	Vitamin D for insufficiency	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Second line option	Green	Cost/28 days @ 400iu £1.42 @ 1 per month Cost for 28 days to treat Insufficiency @ 800iu (1600iu) - £2.95 (£5.90)
Aviticol 20 000 IU Caps	Vitamin D for deficiency	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Second line option	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Deficiency - £11.60
Fultium-D3 500 mcg (20000iu) caps	Vitamin D for deficiency	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Second line option	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Deficiency - £11.60
Fultium-D3 20mcg (800iu) caps 2740iu/ml (67iu/drop)	Vitamin D for insufficiency	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Try to avoid, use third line if needed	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Insufficiency @ 800iu (1600iu) - £3.36 (£6.72) £3.50 (£7.00)
Fultium-D3 2740iu/ml (67iu/drop)	Vitamin D for replete	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Second line option	Green	Cost/28 days @ 400iu £1.76 (6 drops per day)
Thorens 25000iu/2.5ml	Vitamin D for deficiency	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Try to avoid, use third line if needed	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Deficiency - £11.70
Thorens 10000iu (200iu/drop) 25000iu/2.5ml	Vitamin D for insufficiency & replete	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	First line option	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Insufficiency @ 800iu (1600iu) - £1.31 (£2.62)

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						f1.46 (1 bottle per month) (f2.92) Cost/28 days @ 400iu f1.46 (1 bottle per month)
Invita-D3 625 micrograms (25 000ui)/mL	Vitamin D for deficiency & insufficiency	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Try to avoid, use third line if needed	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Deficiency - £11.87 Cost for 28 days to treat Insufficiency @ 800iu (1600iu) - £3.36 (£6.72)
Desunin 20mcg (800iu)	Vitamin D for insufficiency	Approved	Replaces previous unlicensed product with licensed alternative	Second line option	Green	Cost for 28 days to treat Insufficiency @ 800iu (1600iu) - £3.16 (£6.33)
Sildenafil	Treatment of priapism - unlicensed	Approved	As a treatment option	Use sildenafil before tadalafil.	Red	Nil in primary care
Tadalafil	Treatment of priapism - unlicensed	Approved	As a treatment option	Use sildenafil before tadalafil.	Red	Nil in primary care
Ivermectin (Soolantra®)	Topical treatment of inflammatory lesions of rosacea (papulopustular)	Approved	Has both anti-infective and anti-parasitic properties and could be an alternative treatment before trying oral antibiotics.	3 rd line option after failure of metronidazole gel and azaleic acid gel. GP to be sure of the diagnosis and must get confirmation if not e.g. by photograph to dermatologist or by OP referral. GP to only prescribe one tube and for patient to be reviewed at eight weeks. Maximum of four months treatment (two tubes) allowed. No evidence of	Green	30g tube costs £18.29. £36.58 for a 4 month course of treatment. Only to be used after treatment failure with other options and for a limited time (cost of metronidazole gel is slightly less). Population level



	benefit if re-used so do not	costs not available.
	give further courses.	

Additional comments:

- All Vitamin D products listed above are part of newly approved Guidance on Vitamin D treatment enclosed for information
- Management of depression (TEWV) document approved and to be added as a link to York and Scarborough formulary