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**COVID-19 update**

**Information correct as of 4pm 29 June 2020**

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**Attachments**

* none

All information provided in the COVID-19 bulletin is hosted online at <https://www.valeofyorkccg.nhs.uk/rss/home/infections-and-microbiology/covid-19/>

**Updates to the COVID-19 web page**

Provider updates

[Partners re TEWV COVID-19 Contingency Arrangements](https://voyrss.necsu.nhs.uk/Partner-update-NYY-wb-22nd-June.pdf) [**only available via N3 connection**]

**Supply issues with lodoxamide, mirtazapine, imipramine, lacosamide and an update on ranitidine**

On behalf of DHSC please find attached Medicines Supply Notifications and the resupply dates below. The first table provides a summary of the attached MSNs.

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| **Medicine** | **Out of stock until** | **Alternatives**  **(NB FP10 prescriptions must indicate that a special is required/prescribed by the GP if relevant)** |
| **MSN/2020/025-U2**  **Ranitidine: All formulations update to SDA/2019/005-U2** | To be confirmed | Clinical advice on alternatives of oral ranitidine preparations for adults and children has been shared in the previous supply disruption alert SDA/2019/005 (U2)  UKMi have provided updated clinical advice regarding alternatives of ranitidine preparations, which can be found in the MSN. |
| **MSN/2020/034**  **Lodoxamide (Alomide) 1% eye drops** | w/c 24 August 2020 | Sodium cromoglycate eye drops and various antihistamine eye drops remain available. |
| **MSN/2020/035**  **Mirtazapine 15mg and 45mg orodispersible tablets** | End of July 2020 | Unlicensed imports of mirtazapine orodispersible tablets have been sourced.  Mirtazapine 15mg, 30mg and 45mg tablets remain available. |
| **MSN/2020/036**  **Imipramine 25mg tablets** | Early August 2020 | Imipramine 10mg tablets remain available.  Unlicensed imports of imipramine 25mg tablets have been sourced. |
| **MSN/2020/037**  **Lacosamide (Vimpat) 50mg tablets** | From early July until w/c 20 July | Vimpat 10mg/ml syrup remains available. |

There have also been changes to the resupply dates of the medicines listed below. These MSNs were previously circulated via our commissioning routes.

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| **Original MSN reference** | **Date of original MSN/SDA** | **Supply issue** | **Resupply date originally communicated** | **Updated resupply date as of**  **w/c  22nd June 2020** |
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| MSN/2019/020 | 20-Dec-19 | \*H2-antagonists (cimetidine, famotidine and nizatidine) | Famotidine 20mg tablets: out of stock until the end of December 2019 | Tillomed: Limited stock. Resupply to be confirmed. |
| Teva: Out of stock. Resupply August 2020. |
| Famotidine 40mg tablets:  out of stock until the end of December 2019 | Tillomed: Limited stock. Resupply to be confirmed. |
| Teva: Out of stock. Resupply w/c 22nd June 2020. |
| Cimetidine 200mg tablets: out of stock until the end of January 2020 | Ennogen: in stock. |
| Medreich: Out of stock. Resupply to be confirmed. |
| Cimetidine 400mg tablets: out of stock until the end of January 2020 | Ennogen - out of stock until June 2021. |
| Medreich: Out of stock. Resupply to be confirmed. |
| Cimetidine 800mg tablets: out of stock until the end of January 2020 | Ennogen: in stock. |
| Medreich: Out of stock. Resupply to be confirmed. |
| Nizatidine 150mg tablets: out of stock until February 2020 | Mylan: Out of stock. Resupply end of July 2020. |
| Medreich: Out of stock. Resupply to be confirmed. |
| Nizatidine 300mg tablets: out of stock until February 2020 | Mylan: Out of stock. Resupply end of June 2020. |
| Medreich: Out of stock. Resupply to be confirmed. |
| SDA/2020/001 | 10-Jan-20 | Phenytoin sodium NRIM 100mg capsules | Early May 2020 | To be confirmed |
| MSN/2020/012 | 12-Mar-20 | Promazine 25mg & 50mg tablets | Mid-April 2020 | w/c 29 June 2020 |
| MSN/2020/031 | 10-Jun-20 | Prednisolone 5mg suppositories | End of July 2020 | End of August 2020 |

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H2-antagonists will be issued shortly. If you have any queries please contact: [DHSCmedicinesupplyteam@dhsc.gov.uk](mailto:DHSCmedicinesupplyteam@dhsc.gov.uk)

**Flixotide nebules**

On behalf of DHSC find attached a Medicines Supply Notification for Flixotide nebules.

**Summary of the MSN**

* Flixotide® 0.5mg/2ml and 2mg/2ml nebules are out of stock from late June and August 2020, respectively.
* Re-supplies of both strengths are expected from 4th November 2020.
* Unlicensed imports of fluticasone 0.5mg/2ml and 2mg/2ml nebules have been sourced.
* UKMi have provided clinical advice on switching to alternative inhaled or nebulised corticosteroids.

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**Clinical guidance for healthcare professionals on maintaining immunisation programmes during COVID-19**

This guidance is attached for you.

**Please note** – all attachments in this update will be available on the RSS COVID-19 page from 30 June.