

Guide Prices for Commonly Requested Unlicensed Medicines

Effective from 1st August 2020, any patient presenting with a prescription for the items below, please use the prices and information below to procure and endorse unlicensed specials or imports. If you can obtain at this price or lower, you do not need to seek authorisation.

The prices on the pre-approved guide price list are to provide a maximum cost where the Board are happy to approve without prior authorisation; these do not and should not replace the invoice price submitted for payment. Pharmacy teams must ensure that the item is correctly endorsed electronically (and on paper) as per invoice price and not as listed below.

NB Updated circular in respect to Special preparations issued April 2023, items in the tariff which are solution or suspension, cream or ointment the terms are interchangeable and no longer require separate authorisation [PCA2023\(P\)17.pdf \(scot.nhs.uk\)](#)

NB Epistatus: all pre filled syringes are now licensed products and no longer listed in the Scottish Drug Tariff Epistatus 10mg/1ml 5ml (multi-dose) bottle remains unlicensed.

NB: Ivermectin is now available as a licensed product, this is a solus line to Alliance.

If the guide price provided cannot be met or if the drug prescribed is not on the list below, then **authorisation will be required.** In these situations, please submit the authorisation request form and email from your clinical mailbox to prescribing@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Medication	Strength	Pack size	Cost expected (May 2024)
Bisoprolol	5mg/5ml	1 x 100ml	Up to £40
Co-enzyme Q10 capsules	100mg	1x60	Up to £30
Co-Phenotrope		1x 100	Up to £55
Distigmine tablets	5mg	1x50	Up to £155
Epistatus	10mg/ml	5ml bottle	Up to £168.75
Fleet Bisacodyl enema	10mg/30ml	1 x 30ml	Up to £25
Hepa-Merz Sachet			Up to £1.35 per sachet
Hyoscine Butylbromide	10mg/5ml	1 x 100ml	Up to £49
Hyoscine Hydrobromide	300mcg/5ml	1 x 100ml	up to £41
Lisdexamfetamine Capsules	30mg	1 x 28	Up to £120
Lisdexamfetamine Capsules	70mg	1 x 28	Up to £280
Olanzapine	2.5mg/5ml	1 x 100ml	up to £39
Omeprazole solution (Aclomep)	20mg/5ml	1x100ml	Up to £89
Paraldehyde in olive oil rectal	50%	10-30ml	Available from NHS PPU at Stockport (£14.89), other suppliers pre-approved up to £25
Potassium Chloride MR	600mg	1 x 100	Up to £125
Prazosin	2mg	1 x 100	Up to £90
Prazosin	5mg	1 X 100	Up to £60
Sucralfate Tablet	1g	1 x 40	Up to £40
Terbinafine suspension	250mg/5ml	1 x 50ml	up to £40

Commonly prescribed vitamins and food supplements

Some of these items are not classed as medicines, but fall under pay and report mechanisms. Where there is a licensed preparation this is listed within the expected cost column. To help make things less confusing for contractors, we include these in our authorisation processes as PSD will refer contractors back to their Board for approval.

Vitamin	Strength	Pack Size	Expected cost (February 2024)
Acetylcysteine	600mg eff tablets 600mg capsules	60	Licensed NACSYS Licensed product, included in SDT
Colecalciferol	400iu caps 800iu caps 800iu tablets 1000iu tab/caps 10,000iu/ml (200iu/drop)	30 30 30 28/30	Licensed InVita Licensed product, included in SDT Licensed product, included in SDT Licensed Stexerol D3 or Aviticol Licensed Thorens
Ergocalciferol	All strengths		Not recommended in GGC. Use colecalciferol instead
Magnesium Glycerophosphate	4mmol chewable tablets	50	Licensed product, included in SDT
Vitamin E	75 iu 200 iu	100	£8.99 £14.99
Vitamin B2, Riboflavin	50mg caps 100mg caps 100mg MR	100 100 60	50mg £8.50 100mg £12.00 100mg mr £12.00