

Specialist Recommendation Drugs List – Updated Dec 2020

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Specialist Recommendation (High Cost) Drugs	Price at time list produced (July 2019)	Pack size	Agreed diagnoses	Comments
Acetazolamide liquid (based on 125mg/5ml)	£426 - £729	500ml	Glaucoma	Paediatric Ophthalmology Request
Amantadine 50mg/5ml solution (SF)	£130.32	150ml	Parkinson's Disease	Not first line choice in either early or late stage PD
Apomorphine Injection (Apo-go®)	£73.11/ £123.91	5	Parkinson's Disease	Not first line choice in either early or late stage PD. Patient and/or carer requires adequate training and counselling
Brivaracetam	£130	56 tabs	Epilepsy	Complex patient. trialled and responded to levetiracetam but not able to tolerate. Suffering 75 seizures per month.
Cinacalcet (Mimpara®)	£125.75- £231.97	28	Renal Specialist initiated Patients NOT on dialysis and are CKD 4/5, these patients may or may not have a transplant	Patients on dialysis should not be prescribed via GP and are funded by NHSE. Ensure you are familiar why you are prescribing it. Updated Jan 18 - Any patients on dialysis should be referred to MOT so MOT can pass info to renal team
Decapeptyl (Triptorelin®)	£69.00/ £81.69/ £207.00/£414	1 vial	All Licensed indications	Unlicensed indications to be managed by specialist
Degarelix (Firmagon®) 80mg	£129.66	1 vial	Advanced hormone-dependent prostate cancer	First line in restricted cases where there is an acute need for immediate testosterone suppression.
Denosumab (Prolia®) 60 mg per ml solution	£183	1 ml pre-filled syringe	Osteoporosis	Postmenopausal women and in men at increased risk of fractures, bone loss associated with hormone ablation in men with prostate cancer at increased risk of fractures, bone loss associated with long-term systemic glucocorticoid therapy in patients at increased risk of fracture
Doxepin caps	£90.00 - £142.00	28	Refractory Depression	Both Strengths Mental Health Initiated; not first line choice
Ethosuximide 250mg caps	£191	56 caps	Epilepsy	Doses up to 2g daily
250mg/5ml Liquid (SF)	£173 (£216)	200ml(250ml)		
Glycopyrronium bromide 1mg tabs	£230.71	30	Severe Hypersalivation	Not responsive to other treatments

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Glycopyrronium 1mg/5ml Liquid	£84.00	150ml	Paeds alternative to tablets for hypersalivation	Added Sept 17
Hydroxycarbamide 1000mg (Siklos®)	£933.33	30	Sickle Cell disease	Other indications = NHSE (500mg caps)
Lanthanum (Fosrenol®)	£105.56	56	Renal Specialist initiated Patients NOT on dialysis and are CKD 4/5, these patients may or may not have a transplant	Updated Jan 18: Patients on dialysis should not be prescribed via GP and are funded by NHSE. Ensure you are familiar why you are prescribing it.
Mycophenolate (Mofetil®)	£6.21 - £193.43	5-120	Renal Request for minimal change disease, FSGS, mesangiocapillary GN to reduce need for steroids	Consultant to support GP's. Any patient on this for renal transplant should not be issued via GP - NHSE funded.
Noyada (Captopril®) 5mg/5ml solution	£98.21	100ml	Paediatric Cardiology specialist advise only	
Olsalazine 500mg tabs	£161.00	60	Ulcerative colitis	Gastro initiated. 3rd line; Where other treatment have failed
Pramipexole MR tabs	£17.29 - £222.06	30	Parkinson's Disease; Neurologist initiation; Not First line choice	MR not to be used for restless leg syndrome.
Prednisolone 20mg foam enema	£187.00	14 doses	Proctitis and Ulcerative Colitis Gastro Specialist initiated	Check long term plans if exceeding 2-4 weeks.
Prednisolone (as Prednisolone sodium phosphate) 5 mg suppository	£105.73	10	Proctitis and Ulcerative Colitis Gastro Specialist initiated	Check long term plans if exceeding 2-4 weeks.
Rifaximin 550mg tabs	£259.23	56	Gastro Only for OHE follow SCA	SCA agreed Jan 18
Somatropin	£24.35- £1106.22	1 - 7	Growth hormone CCG - primary and secondary hypo- pituitarism	Brands Inc: Genotropin, Humatrope, Norditropin, Nutropin AQ, Omnitrope,, Saizen and Zomacton May be included in Gender reassignment : NHSE are responsible commissioners when used in specialist centre for indications which falls outside of NICE guidance

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Tacrolimus (Advagraf®)	£35.79- £266.62	50	Renal Request for minimal change disease, FSGS, mesangiocapillary GN to reduce need for steroids	Consultant to support GP's. To be considered for addition to DMARD's SCA. Any patient on this for renal transplant should not be issued via GP - NHSE funded. Added Jan 18
Tranlycypromine 10mg tabs	£305.48	28	Refractory Depression; Historic therapy	Psychiatry
Vitamin A (Nepalm®) Injection 100,000units/ 2ml	£349.98 (inc wholesaler fee) Special order	6 x 2ml amps	Ophthalmology: Severe vitamin A deficiency linked to Cystic fibrosis	PCPC agreed Oct 2019
Xagrid (Anagrelide®) 0.5mg caps	£404.57	100	Essential Thrombocytopenia	Review after 12 months
Ethinylestradiol 10mcg tabs	£200.00		Agreed High Cost items medication for Gender dysmorphia	April 2017
Ethinylestradiol 50mcg tabs	£200.00		Agreed High Cost items medication for Gender dysmorphia	April 2017
Ethinylestradiol 1mg tabs	£200.00		Agreed High Cost items medication for Gender dysmorphia	April 2017
Elemental 028 extra powder	£7.24	100g	High Cost Feeds	
Jevity 1.5Kcal	£6.24	500ml	High Cost Feeds	
Jevity liquid	£5.20	500ml	High Cost Feeds	
Jevity Plus	£6.20	500ml	High Cost Feeds	
Jevity Promote	£12.50	1L	High Cost Feeds	
Jevity Plus HP	£7.03	500ml	High Cost Feeds	
MSUD Anamix Jr pdr x 36g	£210.90	30 sachets	High Cost Feeds	
Osmolite	£9.73	1L	High Cost Feeds	
Osmolite 1.5kcal	£5.60	500ml	High Cost Feeds	

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Osmolite HP	£4.65	500ml	High Cost Feeds	
Osmolite Plus	£10.95	1L	High Cost Feeds	
Paediasure Peptide Liquid feed	£2.60	200ml	High Cost Feeds	
Paediasure plus fibre	£3.14	200ml	High Cost Feeds	
PKU Air20 Gold	£8.96	174ml	High Cost Feeds	
PKU Lophlex LQ 20	£10.47	125ml	High Cost Feeds	
TwoCal Liquid	£14.80	1L	High Cost Feeds	
Vital 1.5K liquid	£2.98	200ml	High Cost Feeds	
Glytactin Bettermilk PKU	£8.54		High Cost Feeds	