LLR ICB Prescribing Switches 2023-24

Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, Integrated Care Board, continually review prescribing choices to ensure patients receive the most cost effective, evidence-based treatments available to make the best use of valuable NHS resources. Below is a list of prescribing switch work being undertaken in 2023-24. This information should help put Community Pharmacists in a position to manage their stock, counsel patients and answer queries. Thank you for your continued support.

Switch from:	Switch to:	Notes:
Diprobase Cream	Epimax Original Cream	
Aqueous Cream	Epimax Original Cream	
Doublebase Gel	Epimax Isomol Gel	
Aproderm Gel	Epimax Isomol Gel	Excluded from switch: 100g pack size
Venlafaxine 225mg XL (generic and brands of MR caps & tablets)	Vencarm 225mg XL Caps	
Venlafaxine 150mg & 75mg daily to dose optimise (generic and		
brands of MR caps & tablets)	Vencarm 225mg XL Caps	
Bimatoprost and timolol UDV (generic and brand)	Eyzeetan p/f drops multidose bottle	
Bimatoprost UDV (generic and brand)	Eyreida p/f drops multidose bottle	
Dorzolomide and timolol UDV (generic and brand)	Eylamdo p/f drops multidose bottle	
Dorzolomide UDV (generic and brand)	Eydelto p/f drops multidose bottle	
Higher cost SMBG test strips T2DM	Finetest BGTS	
		Excluded from switch: Rebrikel, Bunov
Buprenorphine 7 day patch (generic and brands)	Sevodyne	patches
		Excluded from switch: Folpik 5mg,10mg,
Felodipine XL (generic and brand) 2.5mg/5mg/10mg	Delofine XL	Vascalpha
Methylphenidate XL tablets (18mg, 27mg, 36mg, 54mg)	Affenid XL tabs	Excluded from switch: Xaggatin and Xenidate
Concerta XL tablets /Delmosart/Matoride – all strengths	Affenid XL tabs	Excluded from switch: Xaggatin and Xenidate

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Switch from:	Switch to:	Notes:
Glycopyronnium 1mg and 2mg tablets	Assicco 1mg and 2mg tabs	Switch for licensed indications only
Circadin 2mg modified-release tablet	Melatonin 2mg modified-release tablets	
Quetiapine Modified Release tablets (generic and brands)	Brancico XL tablets	
Galantamine XL capsules (generic and brands)	Gazylan XL capsules	
Pramipexole MR tablets	Pipexus MR tablets	
Mirapexin MR tablets	Pipexus MR tablets	
Ropinirole MR tablets (generic and Brands)	Ipinnia MR tablets	Ipinnia has 3mg and 6mg strengths available
Fentanyl micrograms/hour transdermal patches (generic and brands)	Fencino transdermal patches	
Alimemazine 30mg/5ml oral solution	Alimemazine 30mg/5ml oral solution Sugar Free	
Alimemazine 7.5mg/5ml oral solution	Alimemazine 7.5mg/5ml oral solution	
	Sugar Free	
Haloperidol 500microgram tablets	Haloperidol 500microgram tablets (Crescent Pharm Ltd) (Specific Brand)	
Macrogol 3350 oral powder 8.5g sachets sugar free	Macrogol compound oral powder	
	sachets NPF sugar free	
Metformin 1g tablets	Metformin 1g modified release tablets	

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Switch from:	Switch to:	Notes:
Hylo-Tear 0.1% PF eye drops	VIZHyal 0.1% PF eye drops	
	VIZHyal 0.2% PF eye drops or HydraMed	
Hylo-Forte 0.2% PF eye drops	0.2% PF eye drops	
	Xailin Night eye Ointment or Hylo Night	
Simple Eye Ointment	eye ointment	
NovoRapid Flexpen	Trurapi pre-filled pen	
NovoRapid FlexTouch	Trurapi pre-filled pen	
NovoRapid 3ml cartridges	Trurapi 3ml cartridge	
NovoRapid 10ml vials	Trurapi 10ml vials	