



21 January 2020

Medicine Supply Alert Notice

Hormone Replacement Therapy (all formulations)

Priority: Update

Valid until: See table at Annex A

Issue

1. The Chief Pharmaceutical Officer previously wrote in circular PCA(P)(2019)18 to community pharmacy contractors and NHS Boards regarding information on the availability of all Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) products marketed in the UK.
2. This MSAN gives an update on the information provided in table 1 of PCA(P)(2019)18, as issued by the UK Department of Health and Social Care Medicine Supply Team in January 2020.

Advice and Actions

4. The table 1 attached at Annex A provides the latest update on the availability of all HRT products marketed in the UK and the known resupply date for products that are currently experiencing supply issues. The table also provides an update of all HRT preparations that remain available.
5. Clinicians may be required to switch patients to alternative HRT products that contain the same active ingredients for a temporary period. Prescribing information regarding HRT equivalence to support local decision making is available through various sources such as the British National Formulary, Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC), The Monthly Index of Medical Specialities (MIMS), and other sources including local Medicines Information Centres.

Additional Information

6. Clinicians are advised to work closely with community pharmacies to understand local availability of HRT products and use the table below to help make decision about appropriate HRT products for patients who are affected by the supply issues.

Enquiries

7. Any enquiries should be directed to PharmacyTeam@gov.scot.

Table 1: HRT availability

Oestrogen only					
Ingredient(s)	Manufacturer	Brand	Strength	Current Availability	Anticipated resupply date
				Oral preparations	
Estradiol hemihydrate	Mylan	Elleste Solo	1mg	OOS	Mid-end 2020.
			2mg	In stock until late January	
	Mylan	Zumenon	1mg	In stock	
			2mg	In stock	
Estradiol valerate	Bayer	Progynova	1mg	In stock	
			2mg	In stock	
Estradiol	Resource Medical UK	Bedol	2mg	Long term OOS	
Conjugated oestrogen	Pfizer	Premarin	300mcg	In stock	
			625mcg	In stock	
			1.25mg	In stock	
Ethinylestradiol	UCB pharma Ltd.	Ethinylestradiol	10mcg	OOS	Resupply date unavailable. Unlicensed imports available; lead times vary
			50mcg	OOS	
			1mg	In stock	
Transdermal patches					
Estradiol	New owner: <u>Theramex</u>	Evorel	25 mcg	OOS	February 2020. Unlicensed imports available; lead times vary
			50mcg	OOS	
			75mcg	OOS	
			100mcg	OOS	
Estradiol hemihydrate	Novartis	Estradot	25mcg	In stock	
			37.5mcg	In stock	
			50mcg	In stock	
			75mcg	In stock	
			100mcg	In stock	
	Merus Labs/Norgine	Estraderm	25 mcg	In stock	
			50mcg	In stock	
			75mcg	In stock	
			100mcg	In stock	
	Theramex	FemSeven Mono	50mcg	Long term OOS	End of 2020 Unlicensed imports available; lead times vary
			75mcg	Long term OOS	
			100mcg	Long term OOS	
	Bayer	Progynova TS	50mcg	In stock	
100mcg			In stock		
Mylan	Elleste Solo MX	40mcg	In stock		
		80mcg	In stock		
Topical (Transdermal gels/creams/other delivery systems)					

Estradiol	Besins Healthcare (UK) Ltd	Oestrogel	0.06%	In stock	
Estradiol hemihydrate	Orion	Sandrena	0.5mg	OOS	Late January 2020
			1mg (28)	In stock	
			1mg (91)	In stock	
	Pfizer	E-string vaginal delivery system	7.5mcg/24hours	In stock	
	Novo Nordisk	Vagifem vaginal tablets	10mcg	In stock	
Estriol	Flynn Pharma	Blissel	50mcg/g	In stock	
	Marlborough Pharma	Estriol cream (generic)	0.01%	In stock	
	Aspen	Ovestin cream	1mg	In stock	
Progestogen only					
Medroxyprogesterone	Resource Medical UK	Climanor	5mg	Long term OOS	
Levonorgestrel	Bayer	Mirena Intrauterine device	20mcg/24hrs	In stock	
Progesterone	Besins Healthcare (UK) Ltd	Utrogestan	100mg	In stock	
		Utrogestan	200mg	In stock	
Combined HRTs (Progestogen and oestrogen)					
Continuous combined therapy					
Oral preparations					
Estradiol hemihydrate / norethisterone acetate	Mylan	Elleste Duet Conti	2mg / 1mg	OOS	Mid-end 2020
	Novo Nordisk	Kliofem	2mg/ 1mg	In stock	
		Kliovance	1mg/ 500mcg	In stock	
Estradiol hemihydrate / dydrogesterone	Mylan	Femoston Conti	500mcg/ 2.5mg	In stock	
			1mg/ 5mg	In stock	
Estradiol valerate/medroxyprogesterone	Orion	Indivina	1mg /2.5mg	OOS	February 2020. Unlicensed imports available; lead times vary.
			2mg/ 5mg	OOS	
			1mg/5mg	OOS	February 2020. Unlicensed imports available; lead times vary.
low dose conjugated oestrogen/medroxyprogesterone	Pfizer	Premique	300mcg/1.5mg	In stock	
Transdermal patch					
Estradiol hemihydrate/ norethisterone acetate	New Owner: Theramex	Evorel Conti	3.2mg/11.2mg	OOS	February 2020 Unlicensed imports available; lead times vary
Estradiol hemihydrate/ levonorgestrel	Theramex	FemSeven Conti	1.5mg/ 0.525mg	Long term OOS	End 2020
Sequential combined therapy					
Oral preparations					
Estradiol [X,X] / norethisterone acetate	Resource Medical UK	Clinorette	[2mg, 2mg]/ 1mg	Long term OOS	
Estradiol/norgestrel	Mylan	Cyclo-progynova	2mg/500mcg	Long term OOS	
Estradiol hemihydrate / norethisterone acetate		Elleste Duet	1mg/ 1mg	OOS	Mid-end 2020.

			2mg/ 1mg	In stock until late January	
Estradiol hemihydrate/ dydrogesterone		Femoston	1mg/ 10mg	In stock	
			2mg/10mg	In stock	
Estradiol hemihydrate / norethisterone acetate	Novo Nordisk	Novofem	1mg/ 1mg	In stock	
Estradiol hemihydrate [X,X,X]/ norethisterone acetate		Trisequens	[2mg, 2mg, 1mg]/1mg	In stock	
Estradiol valerate/ medroxyprogesterone acetate	Orion	Tridestra	2mg/20mg	In stock	
Transdermal patch					
a) Estradiol hemihydrate and b) estradiol hemihydrate/ norethisterone acetate	New Owner: <u>Theramex</u>	Evorel Sequi	a)3.2mg b) 3.2 mg /11.2 mg	OOS	February 2020. Unlicensed imports available; lead times vary
a) 1.5mg of estradiol hemihydrate b) Estradiol hemihydrate /levonorgestrel	Theramex	FemSeven Sequi	a) 1.5mg b) 1.5mg /1.5mg	Long term OOS	End-2020
Gonadomimetic (s)					
Tibolone 2.5mg	Advanz Pharma	Livial tablets	Tibolone 2.5mg	In stock	
Selective oestrogen receptor modulator					
Ospemifene 60mg tablets	Shionogi	Senshio tablets	Ospemifene 60mg tablets	In stock	
Tissue-selective oestrogen complex					
Conjugated oestrogen 300mcg/ bazedoxifene 20mg	Pfizer	Duavive	conjugated oestrogen 300mcg/ bazedoxifene 20mg	In stock	