



PHARMACY BULLETIN

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RESULTS OF JKTU 2/2015 MEETING




The Drug & Therapeutics Committee 2/2015 meeting was recently held on the 10th of April 2015. Results of the meeting will be implemented starting **1st June 2015** for both new drugs and add-on indication/prescriber.

In view of the recent drug budget cut up to 26% (RM24 million); ALL **new drugs application** into the formulary should fulfill **ONE of these CRITERIAS** :

- The cost of new drug submitted is cheaper by at least 30% of existing drug for the same indication. (Total cost per year must be considered as well and not just the cost of the drug only).
- Must suggest to remove an existing drug for the same indication from the formulary.
- No additional budget allocation required.



Effective from **April 2015**, all drug application must be made via online at <http://e-jktu.ppukm.ukm.my/>. The website which was launched on 1st of March 2015 can be accessed from PPUKM's official website (refer picture).




No	Drugs	Indication & Dose	PPUKM Policy
1	CINACALCET 25MG TABLET (REGPARA®)	Indication: Secondary hyperparathyroidism in patients undergoing maintenance dialysis. Dose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One tab Once daily. Dose can be increased by 25mg at a time, at 3 week intervals. Max: 100mg once daily.	Prescriber: A*: Nephrologist Only Max usage: RM100,000 a year. <i>*Inj Paricalcitol (Zemplar) is taken out from PPUKM formulary.</i> Use until stocks last. 
2	OXYCODONE/ NALOXONE TABLET 5/2.5MG, 10/5MG, 20/10MG, 40/20MG (TARGIN®)	Indication: Management of moderate to severe chronic pain unresponsive to non-narcotic analgesics, with prevention of opioid-induced constipation. Dose: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opioid naïve patients or patients with moderate to severe chronic pain uncontrolled by weaker opioid: Targin tablet 10/5mg at 12 hourly intervals. Mild hepatic & renal impairment: Targin tablet 5/2.5mg at 12 hourly. 	Prescriber: A*: Palliative Care Specialist Only Maximum usage : RM170,000/year <i>Share budget with Oxycodone Immediate Release and Prolonged Release Tablet.</i> 
3	ARTESUNATE 60MG INJECTION (IM/IV) (DUNATE®)	Indication: Severe malaria as detailed by WHO-criteria Dose: 2.4mg/kg at 0, 12, 24, 48 hours once daily. Day 1: Dose 1 (0 hour); Dose 2 (12 hours) Day 2: Dose 3 (24 hours after first dose) Day 3: Dose 4	Prescriber : A*: Infectious Disease Specialist Only <i>* Quinine injection drugs 600mg taken out from the formulary.</i> Use until stocks last . 

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Newly Added Indication/Strength/Prescriber

No	Drugs	Indication & Dose	PPUKM Policy
1	ETORICOXIB 60MG, 90MG, 120MG (ARCOXIA®)	<p>Additional STRENGTH in the formulary :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60mg: Osteoarthritis 90mg: Rheumatoid Arthritis & ankylosing spondilosis <p>Additional PRESCRIBER : Palliative Care Specialist and Rheumatologist outpatient and inpatient.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 120mg: Acute gouty arthritis, acute pain & primary dysmenorrhea 	<p>Prescriber: A*: Palliative Care Specialist, Rheumatologist & Orthopaedic Surgeons Only</p> 
2	RIVASTIGMINE TRANSDERMAL PATCH 13.3MG/24 HOURS (EXELON 15 PATCH®)	<p>Indication: Mild to moderately severe dementia associated with Alzheimer's or Parkinson's disease.</p> <p>Dose: Start with Exelon Patch 5 once daily, may be increased to Exelon Patch 10 after a minimum of 4 week.</p>	<p>Prescriber: A*: Neurologist & Psychiatrist Only</p> <p>Use the existing allocation: RM250,000/year.</p> 

APPEAL DRUG

No	Drugs	Indication & Dose	PPUKM Policy
1	ADALIMUMAB 40MG INJECTION (HUMIRA®) 	<p>Indication: Crohn's Disease/Ulcerative Colitis</p> <p>Dose:</p> <p>Week 0: 160mg (Administered as four injections in one day or as two injections per day for two consecutive days)</p> <p>Week 2: 80mg</p> <p>Every other week: 40mg (maintenance dose)</p>	<p>Prescriber: A*: Gastroenterologist Only</p> <p>Approved only for 1 patient through patient compassionate program 3+1 FOC.</p> <p>(Number of patients for both injection Infliximab and Adalimumab is limited to 5 patients)</p>



We would like to wish all our Muslim colleagues a happy & blessed fasting month of Ramadhan. May the holy month brings you more prosperity, faith, satisfaction and divine love for Allah.

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