PHARMACY BULLETIN

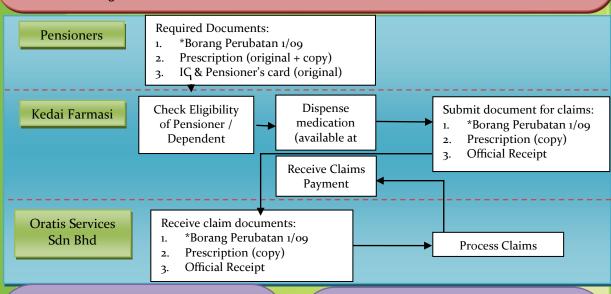
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What is e-Mass?

- ♦ Before e-MASS was introduced, pensioners need to buy their medications on their own, and then, make claims from Bahagian Pencen JPA.
- ♦ Starting from 15th May 2012, JPA will only process claims that are made under e-MASS for Federal Pensioners.
- ◆ JPA has appointed Oratis Services Sdn Bhd as the company that will process and get the medications supply/ medication devices which are not available in government hospital/clinics
- Hence, pensioners will no longer need to pay for their medication if they get the supply from any branch of pharmacies that are registered with Oratis Services SB



What is special about e-MASS?

Pensioners can get their medications posted to their house using POSLAJU courier service FOR FREE!

- 1)Go to <u>www.emass.com.my</u> or call toll free no 1800-88-6672
- 2)register at e-MASS portal
- 3)Upload a completed *Borang
 Perubatan 1/09 and a valid prescription

Time taken for delivery:

- 4 working days (within peninsular Malaysia)
- 5 working days (Sabah/Sarawak)

Who is eligible for e-MASS service?

Pensioners of:

- ♦ Government Service (Federal Pensioners ONLY)
- ♦ Members of Parliament
- ♦ Political Secretary
- High Court judges, Judges of the Court of Appeal, and Federal Court Judges
- Statutory bodies: BERNAS, KTM, TELEKOM, UDA, POS

And also all registered dependents

*Borang Perubatan 1/09:

Available at Customer Service Counter or www.jpapencen.gov.my/borang

One (1) Borang Perubatan 1/09 will be valid for 3 months medication supply or 1 month for inpatient

For any enqueries:

Kedai Farmasi, PPUKM: 03-91455398

Website: www.oratis.com.my

Pensioners Portal: <u>www.emass.com.my</u>

Oratis careline: 1800-88- 6672 / careline@oratis.com.my

UPDATES FROM PHARMACY DEPARTMENT

Drug ALERT: Potential Medication Error: LOOK ALIKE DRUGS

Dear Specialists/Physicians/Doctors/Nurses;

Kindly note that our current stock of Heparinised Saline Injection (10ml) and 50% Glucose Injection BP (10ml) are both by B Braun. Both the packaging box and ampoule itself looks similar between the 2 drugs. Attached are the photos of the items. As preventative measures to avoid medication error, kindly inform your respective staffs to be extra cautious and careful when handling these 2 items. Pharmacy Staff are reminded to read the drug labels before dispensing and supplying the drugs, and it also highly recommended for the nurses in the wards to read the labels 3 times before administering the drugs to patients. It is hope with this proactive measures taken by all parties will help to curb medication error from occurring at any stage of drug supply to patients.





Short Expiry of Non-Formulary Items

Dear Doctors,

Below are the list of Non-Formulary drugs in Kedai Farmasi which will be expiring soon. Kindly facilitate to prescribe the drugs when indicated. Thank you.

- METHYLPHENIDATE (CONCERTA) 27mg Tab Exp Jun 2012 (RM 100 /month)
- DULOXETINE (CYMBALTA) 30mg Tab Exp July 2012 (RM 50 /month)
- PEMETREXED DISODIUM (ALIMTA) 500mg Inj Exp Aug 2012 (RM 4,045.20 / Inj)
- 4. TOPOTECAN HYDROCHLORIDE (Hycamtin) 4mg Inj -Exp Jun 2012 (RM 861 / Inj)
- TASIGNA (NILOTINIB) 200mg Cap Exp Aug 2012 (RM 3,885 / 28 tab)
- 6. IMATINIB (GLIVEC) 400mg Tab Exp Sept 2012 (RM 8,590 / 30tab

Shortage of AKURIT* & AKURIT 4*

Dear doctors,

Please note that currently both AKURIT and AKURIT 4 stocks are NIL in the company . This shortage is due to the unexpected disruption of manufacturing due to shortage of raw material of RIFAMPICIN worldwide. Stocks are expected to be available by end of June. Subsequently, patients can use single agent drugs (rifampicin + isoniazid +/- pyrazinamide +/- ethambutol) until the new stocks arrives.

- *manufactured by Lupin Ltd, India
- *imported by Pahang Pharmacy Sdn Bhd

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