

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS/POINTS TO NOTE about Importing Unregistered Products IN PPUKM. (For Non Formulary Items)

1) DRUG DELIVERY PERIOD:

- It takes about 1 month for Import Permit Request to be approved
- Then 3-4 weeks from approved permit date for the drug to be delivered from overseas.

2) QUOTATION:

- If it's a Non Formulary item, Specialists can contact the Drug Rep/ Importing Companies: PharmD (03-8070 9918) / Evertrade (03-7803 0099) to help obtain a quotation for cost estimation (includes shipping costs.) The company usually needs to know TOTAL QUANTITY of drug needed to estimate shipping costs.
- Once the quotation is out, Company will continue to liaise directly with the Specialists as it is a Non Formulary item.

3) PAYMENT FOR THE DRUG

- If patient-funded, please ensure patient agrees to pay for the full course of the drug BEFORE applying for permit.
- If funded by Tabung Kebajikan Pesakit, please get the company to pass the drugs to Specialist, but to pass the original signed Delivery Order and Invoice to JKSP for payment purposes. (This only applies to payment from Tabung Kebajikan Pesakit PPUKM and SAHABAT PPUKM only).
- If funded by NGOs, the Importing Company will deal directly with those NGOs.

4) DETAILS OFTEN MISSED OUT DURING FORM FILLING:

- Please ensure STRENGTH (2mg/mL or 2mg/2mL) AND DOSAGE FORM (eg: certain drugs for IM and IV use comes in different formulations) of drug is clearly written.

5) DRUG DELIVERY AND STORAGE:

- Specialists need to pass up the Original Import Permit to the Importing Company.
- Once drug arrives in Malaysia, Specialist will be contacted to receive the drug. Pharmacy Department will not be responsible for purchasing and storage of the drug as it is a Non Formulary item unless specially requested. This is also to ease accessibility of the drug to the patients.

1) How to check if a drug is registered in Malaysia?

Please go Biro Pengawalan Farmaseutikal Kebangsaan website.
(http://portal.bpfk.gov.my/product_search.cfm)

2) Where to get the Import Permit Form?

Please download from the Pharmacy Department website or request from Drug Information Center, Pharmacy Department, PPUKM.
<http://www.ppukm.ukm.my/farmasi/?p=443>