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## RESULTS FROM DRUGS AND THERAPEUTICS COMMITTEE MEETING (JKTU 1/2020)



Indication: Palliative treatment of hormone-dependent advanced prostate cancer.

: Subcutaneous 22.5mg 3 monthly

: 2-8 Celsius Storage

Policy: A\*: Urologists only. 20 patients per year.



### POLICY REVIEW 1/2020



## ESOMEPRAZOLE 3 MONTHS

Esomeprazole (generic) supply MAX up to 3 months. May switch to omeprazole /pantoprazole for PRN use. Refer to Gastroenterologists if need long term use.

Rational: To review long term PPI use as it may increase risk of hypocalcemia, hypomagnesemia, Clostridium difficile infections, and pneumonia.

. US Pharmacist July 2017. Proton Pump inhibitors: Considerations



#### ZOLPIDEM 3 MONTHS

Zolpidem supply MAX up to 3 months for all clinis, and MAX 1 year for psychiatrists. If need long term, to refer to Psychiatrists.

Rational: Zolpidem is indicated for short-term treatment and symptomatic relief of insomnia. Use for > 4 weeks requires re-evaluation as chronic use is associated with adverse events.

https://www.fde.gov/(FDA adds Boxed Warning for risk of serious Injuries caused by prescription insomnia medicines)



#### ALBUMIN 5% & 25%:JKTU ITEM

Currently only Albumin 25% is a JKTU item . In the new policy, Albumin 5% requests will also need to be reviewed by Specialists (ie signed on JKTU form)

Rational: To ensure appropriate use. (5% for therapeutic plasmapheresis or conditions associated with volume deficit alone)



#### PARECOXIB INJECTION: OT USE ONLY

HCTM approved indication : For post operative pain in the immediate postop setting (cardiovascular risks increase with dose and duration) Duration of Use: 2 DAYS ONLY; maximum dose of 80mg per day.

Rational: In year 2019, Usage has exceeded annual budget capping.



Current policy: alcohol withdrawal symptoms.

Add on- A\*: ICU use only: life threatening septic shock with lactic acidosis - 200mg BD for up to 5 days



#### ADD ON USER: BRINTELIX

Current policy: Flat rate RM 50 for Psychiatrists. Dose capped to 20mg for flat rate price. Add on-A\*: Primer Clinic Specialists - 5 patients per year.



#### ADD-ON QUOTA: ENTRESTO

Current policy: Special Formulary RM 50 per prescription. 30 patients per

New policy: NFS category RM100 per month . 45 patients per year. Purchase from

Farmasi NF.



#### Drugs that has exceeded maximum yearly capping (100%) New patients will have to buy; free supply only for existing patients Yearly **Drug Name Prescribers** Expenditure **Capping** (RM) Sevelamer Carbonate 800mg TAB Nephrologists RM200,000 252,636.00 (126%) (RENVELA) 2 Ivabradine 5mg & 7.5mg Tab RM50,000 Cardiologists 129,165.60 (258%) (CORALAN) 3 Baclofen 50mg Tab (LIORESAL) A/APPL RM50,000 86,573.12 (173%) 4 Moxonidine 0.2mg & 0.4mg Tab RM80,000 78,220.50 (98%) Nephrologists, (PHYSIOTENS) Cardiologists, Endocrinologists, Neurologists and Neuro Surgeon 5 Clostridium Botulinum Toxin Type A RM156,000 ENT Surgeons, 150,588 (97%) 100iu & 500iu (BOTOX) Orthopedic,

Neurologist,

Pediatricians & Dermatologists



LEGALON (SILYMARIN)

Taken out from Formulary and Farmasi NF.

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Clostridium Botulinum Toxin Type A

300 iu & 500iu (DYSPORT)

New patients will have to buy: free supply

only for existing patients						
No	Drug Name	Prescribers	Yearly Capping	Expenditure (RM) [Jan – June]		
1	Sitagliptin 100mg Tab (JANUVIA) Sitagliptin + Metformin HCL Tab (JANUMET 50/500mg, 50/850mg & 50/1000mg) Linagliptin 5mg tab (TRAJENTA) Linagliptin + Metformin HCL Tab (TRAJENTA DUO 2.5/500mg, 2.5/850mg & 2.5/1000mg) Dapagliflozin 10mg tablet (FORXIGA) Empagliflozin 25mg tablet (JARDIANCE)	Endocrinologists	RM500,000	RM371,104.00 (77%)		
2	Levodopa + Carbidopa + Entacapone (STALEVO <b>50</b> /12.5/200, <b>100</b> /25/200, <b>150</b> /37.5/200, <b>200</b> /50/200 & ); Entacapone 200mg Tab (COMTAN)	Neurologists	RM250,000	RM220,683.00 (88%)		
3	Mycophenolate Mofetil 250mg & 500mg Cap (MYCOFIT & CELLCEPT )	Nephrologist, Hematologist, Ophthalmologist s, Consultant Neurologist, Rheumatologists	RM500,000 for non- transplant	RM366,966.51 (73% for non transplant)		



PIASCLEDINE (SOY BEAN/AVOCADO)

6 months supply only for staffs, as per JPA Circular on Glucosamine.

#### TAKEN OUT FROM FORMULARY

Use alternatives in Formulary:

- 1. Pioglitazone 15mg & 30mg (Actos) -slow moving
- 2. Prasugrel 10mg Tab (Effient) -Discontinued in Malaysia
- 3) Clopidogrel 75mg + Aspirin 100mg Tab (Co-Plavix)
- 4) Vildagliptin 50mg + Metformin 1000mg(GalvusMet)
- 5) Saxagliptin 2.5mg + Metformin 1000mg (Kombiglyze XR)



INTRA-ARTICULAR INJECTIONS (HYALURONIC ACID)

All medical devices taken out from Farmasi NF





PPUKM Formulary App is now available on:





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