

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: UHB 20-067**

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By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

1. Does your trust have any patient group directives in use?  
Yes.
2. Which drugs currently have active patient group directives?

Acetic Acid  
Aciclovir  
Adrenaline for cardiac arrest  
Amoxicillin  
Angiocis  
Apixaban  
Aspirin  
atropine1% eye drops  
Azithromycin  
Bacillus Calmette-Guérin (BCG) Vaccine  
Benzocaine  
Benzydamine  
Betamethasone  
Botulinum toxin  
Briminodine  
Brinzolamide  
Caustic Applicators  
Ceftriaxone  
Cetirizine  
Chlorphenamine  
Clarithromycin  
Clopidogrel  
Clotrimazole  
Co-Amoxiclav

Co-codamol  
Codeine  
Combined oral contraceptives  
conjugate Meningococcal Vaccine  
Cyclopentolate  
Desmopressin  
Diclofenac Supp  
Dioralyte  
Dorzolamide/Timolol  
Doxycycline  
DTP vaccine  
Duotrav  
Enoxaparin for thrombophlebitisThrombosis clinic  
Entonox®  
Ferrous sulphate  
Fluconazole  
Flumazanil  
Fluorescein sodium 1% & 2% eye drops  
Fucithalamic  
Furosemide  
Gardasil HPV  
Gastrografin  
Glucagon  
GTN  
Gygel  
Hep A and B vaccine  
Hep A and typhoid  
Heparin  
Hepatitis B Vaccine  
HepatitisA vaccine  
Human Tetanus Immunoglobulin for the treatment of tetanus prone wounds  
Hydrocortisone 1% Cream  
Hyoscine Butylbromide  
Ibuprofen  
Imiquimod  
Influenza  
Instillagel  
Iodine Gynaecological Solution  
Iohexol  
Iohexol (Omnipaque™ 300)  
Ipratropium nebulas  
Latanoprost  
Latanoprost/Timolol  
Levobupivacaine

Levonorgestrel  
Levosert  
Lidocaine  
Lidocaine 4 Per Cent Cream Lmx4 Cream  
Lidocaine Ointment  
Ligncaine and phenyephine  
Local anaesthetic for eye examinations and treatment  
Loperamide  
Macrogol  
Medroxyprogesterone  
Methylprednisolone  
Metoclopramide  
Metoprolol injection  
Metoprolol tablets  
Metronidazole  
Metvix Cream  
Microcat  
Midazolam Injection  
Monofer  
Morphine Sulphate Oral  
Moviprep  
Naloxone  
Naproxen  
Nitrofurantoin  
NRT  
Olopatadine  
Omeprazole  
Ondansetron  
Oxybuprocaine  
Oxygen  
Paracetamol  
Pedal Trial  
Peptac  
Picolax®  
Podophyllotoxin  
Progestogen Only Pill  
Povidone Iodine Eye Drops  
Prednisolone  
Prilocaine Hydrochloride 30mg/ml with Felypressin 0.03IU/MI  
Progesterone Only Sub Dermal Contraceptive Implant  
Proxymetacaine  
Ranitidine  
Rapiscan  
Rivaroxaban

Romiplostin  
Salbutamol  
Scandonest  
Silver Nitrate (Caustic pencils)  
Sodium chloride  
Sodium Citrate Enemas  
Sonovue  
Techniscan  
Tetracaine 4% gel  
Thysat  
Timolol  
Tranexamic Acid  
Travoprost  
Triamcinolone  
Trimethoprim  
Tropicamide  
Warfarin

3. Which healthcare professionals utilise patient group directives and for which drug?

The following medicines are given under a PGD by Speech and Language therapists:  
Lidocaine and phenylephrine.

The following medicines are given under a PGD by Radiographers:

Thysat  
Gastrografin  
Glucagon  
Hyoscine Butylbromide  
Metoprolol injection  
Microcat  
Moviprep  
Radiopharmaceuticals  
Ranitidine  
Techniscan  
Furosemide  
Rapiscan  
Administration of Iohexol (Omnipaque™ 300)  
intravenous Furosemide

The following medicines are given under a PGD by Physiotherapists:

PGD213 Levobupivacaine  
PGD254 Hypertonic NaCl  
PGD251 Physio NaCl  
PGD252 Salbutamol

PGD207 Triamcinolone  
PGD186 Silver Nitrate (Caustic pencils)

The following medicines are given under a PGD by Optometrists:

PGD089 Briminodine  
PGD090 Brinzolamide  
PGD092 Dorzolamide/Timolol  
PGD093 Duotrav  
PGD094 Latanoprost  
PGD091 Latanoprost/Timolol  
PGD214 Olopatadine  
PGD265 Povidine Iodine Eye Drops  
PGD096 Timolol  
PGD095 Travoprost  
PGD076 Cyclopentolate Eye drops  
PGD170 Proxymetacaine eye drops  
PGD171 Tropicamide 0.5%  
PGD075 Tropicamide 10mg/ml

The remaining PGDs are administered / supplied by registered nurses / midwives.

4. Are patient group directives being audited within your trust, by who and how often?  
There are several hundred Patient Group Directives and there is a requirement for them to be audited. This is not recorded centrally at present therefore the trust does not currently hold records on this.
5. Your trust does not utilise patient group directives what is the reason behind this if known?  
N/A.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

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Yours sincerely

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