

Pharmacy

Unlicensed medications

You have been prescribed

.....**by your consultant.**

Currently, this product does not have a full UK product license which means that they have not been approved for prescribing in the UK by the Government’s medicines agency.

Medicines are often used when they do not have UK product license. This can be for many reasons, for example:

- It is waiting to be granted a UK license from the Government.
- It is undergoing a clinical trial.
- Usage of the medicine is low and therefore it is expensive for the makers to send the product for approval. It could also be difficult to get enough patients to do a clinical trial which means that the Government’s medicines agency would be unlikely to grant the product a UK license.
- It has been withdrawn from the UK market due to a lack of demand or because newer products have taken its place making it unprofitable for a company to manufacture it any longer on a large scale.

However, please be reassured that your doctor and pharmacist have thought very carefully about what is the best medicine for you. If you have any concerns regarding this medicine please contact the pharmacy department on the number given below.

How to obtain a further supply

- If you require a further supply of this medicine and if you do **not** have a further hospital appointment please:
- Go to your GP to obtain a prescription and take it to your local pharmacy (chemist) along with this leaflet. For their information we have obtained this product from
.....
 - Return to the hospital for a further appointment and any prescriptions will be dispensed by the hospital pharmacy for a further supply
(delete as appropriate)

You will probably need to give the pharmacist one or two weeks to obtain the supply for you. So it is important that you do not let your supply run out before going to the GP.

If you have any queries concerning this or have any difficulties in obtaining a further supply please call the Medicines Helpline on 01223 217502.



We are currently working towards a smoke free site. Smoking is only permitted in the designated smoking areas.

For advice and support in quitting, contact your GP or the free NHS stop smoking helpline on 0800 169 0 169

Help with this leaflet:



If you would like this information in another language, large print or audio format, please ask the department to contact Patient Information: 01223 216032 or

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