

Medicines Optimisation intervention brief

Medicines Optimisation Incentive Scheme 2019/20 Cost Saving Intervention

TITLE?							
CS2.3.8 Prescribe Ipinnia XL [®] tablets as the preferred brand of ropinirole prolonged release tablet							
WHAT?							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prescribe ropinirole prolonged release tablets and Requip XL[®] tablets as Ipinnia XL[®] tablets. 							
WHY?							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides consistency for the patient with less chance of confusion between brands. Dosing is equivalent. Ipinnia XL[®] is the brand that provides best value for money. Savings are as follows <table border="1"> <tr> <td>ropinirole prolonged release tablets 2mg £12.54 for 28</td> <td>Ipinnia XL[®] tablets 2mg £5.64 for 28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ropinirole prolonged release tablets 4mg £25.09 for 28</td> <td>Ipinnia XL[®] tablets 4mg £11.29 for 28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ropinirole prolonged release tablets 8mg £42.11 for 28</td> <td>Ipinnia XL[®] tablets 8mg £18.95 for 28</td> </tr> </table> <p>Prices from NHSBSA Drug Tariff and Mims online December 2019. (The Drug Tariff pricing for 3mg and 6mg strengths is based on Ipinnia XL[®] brand)</p> <p>Estimated potential savings for West Hampshire CCG of £50,000 per annum.</p>		ropinirole prolonged release tablets 2mg £12.54 for 28	Ipinnia XL [®] tablets 2mg £5.64 for 28	ropinirole prolonged release tablets 4mg £25.09 for 28	Ipinnia XL [®] tablets 4mg £11.29 for 28	ropinirole prolonged release tablets 8mg £42.11 for 28	Ipinnia XL [®] tablets 8mg £18.95 for 28
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WHO?							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All patients who need to be initiated on ropinirole prolonged release tablets or Requip XL[®] tablet. All patients requiring regular repeat prescriptions for ropinirole prolonged release tablets (2mg, 4mg and 8mg) or Requip XL[®] tablets. 							
TIPS?							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community pharmacies should be notified prior to making the switch to ensure stocks are available for the proposed changes. Ipinnia XL[®] is currently the only brand that provides a 3mg or 6mg strength tablet, so there is no need to switch prescriptions for these strengths. 							
HOW?							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Search for all patients currently prescribed repeat prescriptions for ropinirole prolonged release (2mg, 4mg and 8mg) tablets or Requip XL[®] tablets using a standard clinical system search. Switch to the relevant strength of Ipinnia XL[®] tablets according to the process agreed with an individual practice. 							



SO WHAT?

- All patients will receive a consistent brand of ropinirole prolonged release tablets
- Savings will be realised.

FURTHER INFORMATION

1. Summary of Product Characteristics www.medicines.org.uk/emc/product/1791/smpc
2. Drug Tariff December 2019

