



December 2014

Just a short intra-quarter edition to highlight the never ending increases for certain Category A lines. These will only affect a small number of patients and there may be nothing that can be done but some prices seem to drift upwards every month. Remember, these are supposed to be available from 4 different manufacturers / suppliers.

Selected lines; alphabetical order. All prices in pence [in Drug Tariff tradition!].
(C) = Category C at the time.

DT Description	Price December 2014	Price December 2013	Price December 2012	Change since December 2013 (%)
Calcipotriol 50micrograms/ml scalp solution (60ml)	5280	3741	3459	41.1
Calcipotriol 50micrograms/ml scalp solution (120ml)	10559	7481	6918	41.1
Carbimazole 5mg tablets (100)	6817	3868	1273	76.2
Carbimazole 20mg tablets (100)	16845	9562	3657	76.2
Ciprofibrate 100mg tablets (28)	10456	7011	4861	49.1
Co-danthramer 25mg/200mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free (300ml)	12002	10347	7291	16.0
Co-danthramer 75mg/1000mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free (300ml)	26834	25174	18163	6.6
Isradipine 2.5mg tablets (56)	19726	3747	1323 (C)	426
Nortriptyline 10mg tablets (100)	7222	5237	2982	37.9
Nortriptyline 25mg tablets (100)	11725	8185	5032	43.2
Phenindione 10mg tablets (28)	7901	7901	5680	0
Salbutamol 2mg tablets (28)	10421	6168	3422	69.0
Salbutamol 4mg tablets (28)	10667	6305	3460	69.2
Tranlycypromine 10mg tablets (28)	24398	12847	9200	89.9

And some selected Part VIIIA Category A liquids that are very expensive compared to their solid dose form equivalents.....

Levothyroxine sodium 50micrograms/5ml oral solution sugar free (100ml)	8112	5777	5771	40.4
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Levothyroxine sodium 100micrograms/5ml oral solution sugar free (100ml)	11484	8005 (C)	8005 (C)	43.5
Ramipril 2.5mg/5ml oral solution sugar free (150ml)	9520	8480	8000	12.3
Simvastatin 20mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free (150ml)	11841	11144	11113	6.3
Simvastatin 40mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free (150ml)	18088	17044	16977	6.1
Warfarin 1mg/ml oral suspension sugar free (150ml)	10710	10080	10013	6.3