

September 2022

I would normally not be writing anything in the months between Category M changes but I have to note a few things....

The total number of price concessions for August was 139. I stopped keeping track of the number of price concessions each month a long time ago but I think this is the most ever.

A few price changes to note too:

Adrenaline 1 in 1000 ampoules are now over £21 each.

Beware the former Betnovate N and Dermovate NN topical preparations: their "generic" equivalents are now very expensive e.g. Betamethasone valerate 0.1% / Neomycin 0.5% cream (30g) is now over £30 and Clobetasol 500microgram / Neomycin 5mg / Nystatin 100,000units/g cream (30g) is over £97!

As previously indicated by GlaxoSmithKline, Flixotide Accuhalers are significantly reduced: 100mcg down by 50% to 402, 250 by 83% to 423 and 500mcg by 90% to 473. Ventolin Accuhaler is down 45% to 199 . (percentages are approximate)

Halopedol 500mcg tablets are nearly £200 for 28.

Hydrocortisone 2.5mg tablets (the former *Corlan?*) are down 60% to 14.06 for 30.

Melatonin 1,2,4 and 5mg tablets have been added to Part VIII, Category C based on *Adafflex* . (3mg are Category A)

And finally if anyone is still using them, tolbutamide 500mg tablets have doubled in price to 90.18 for 28.